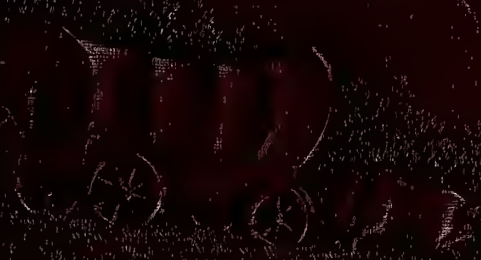
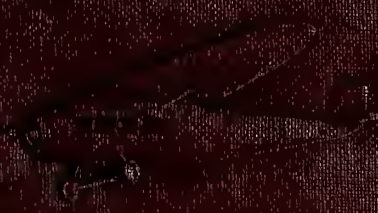


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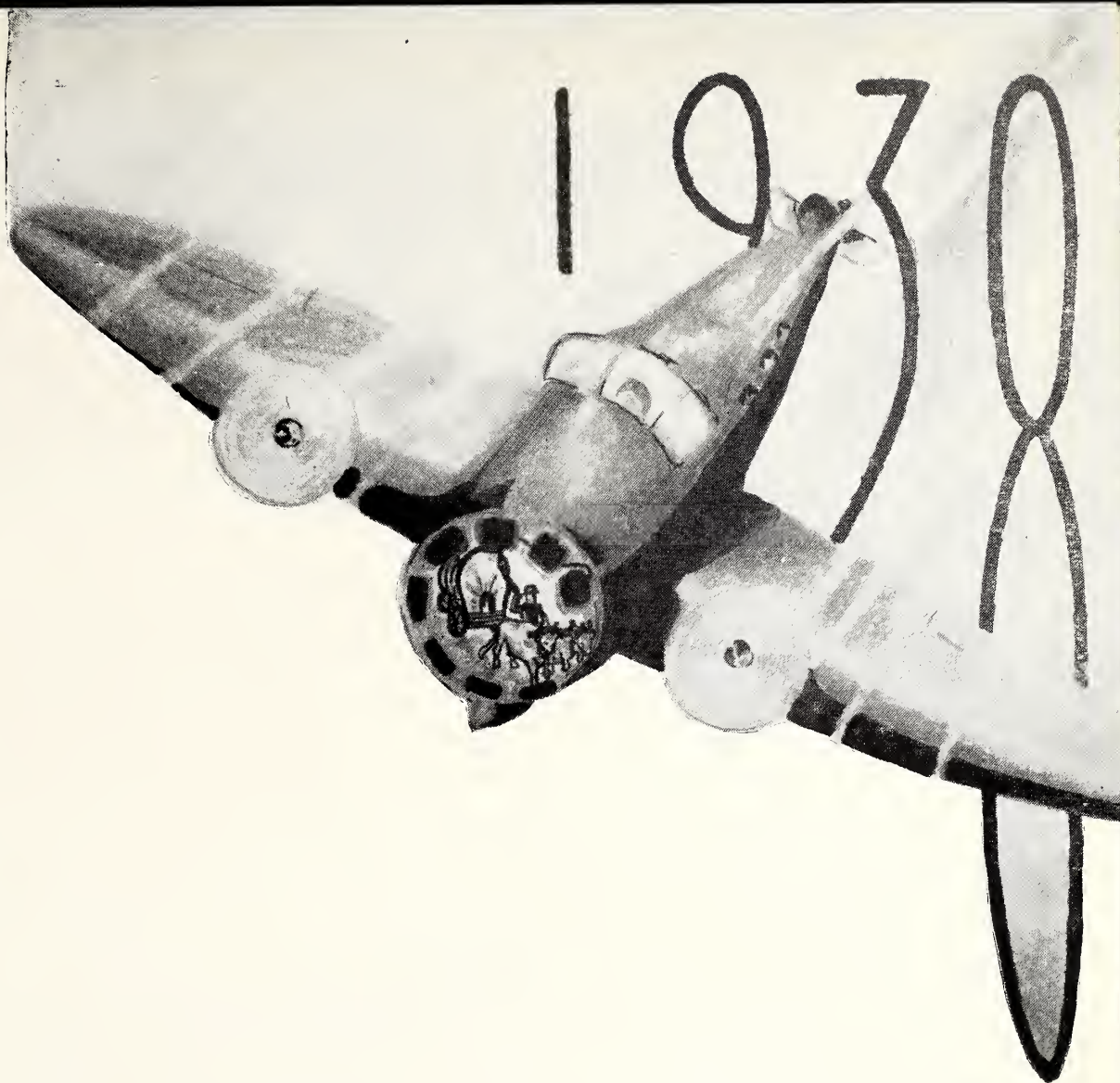








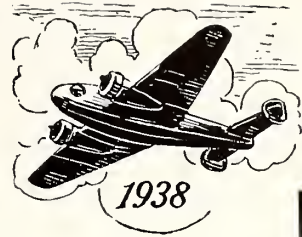




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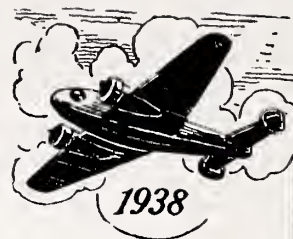
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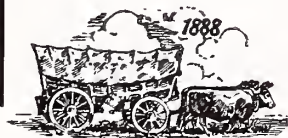


## FOREWORD

Half a century has transformed a pile of cold gray stones into a beloved, scarred building that echoes footfalls of yesterday and today. Fifty years have seen the development of a Mennonite academy, struggling for existence, into a Mennonite college, struggling to retain a close relationship with the people it is serving and to attain, at the same time, the academic recognition necessary for its future usefulness.

The purpose of this book is to materialize the Fiftieth Anniversary of that college—the oldest and the largest Mennonite college in North America; to preserve some of the meaningful memories of Bethel days; and to reacquaint alumni with their Alma Mater.

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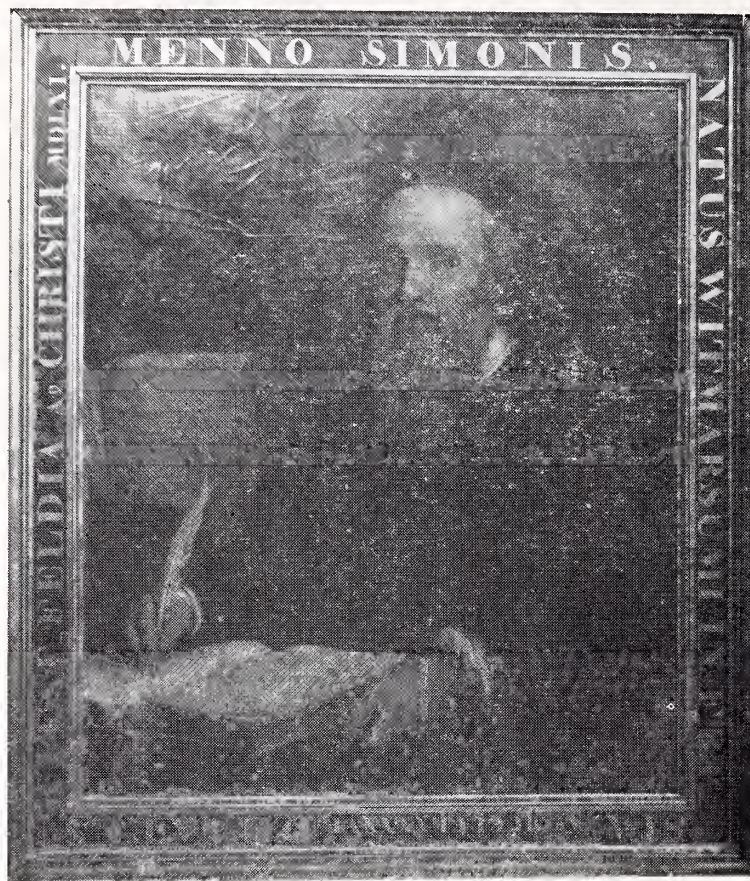
## DEDICATION



To Christ

And to those pioneers whose unselfish devotion and loyal adherence to Christian truth and idealism has enabled them to leave for the youth of America this legacy—Bethel College





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# WHO ARE THE MENNONITES?



A sketch of Menno Simons from whom the Mennonites took their name. As printers were forbidden to publish his writings, he set up his own press and printed them himself. Date 1552.

The first German settlement in America was Germantown, and the first German settlers were Mennonites. . . . On October 6, 1683, the ship Concord arrived in Philadelphia bringing thirteen Mennonite families.—Sweet, *The Story of Religions in America*.

Who are the Mennonites? Whence came they? Why did they come? What have they done and where did they obtain the inspiration that impelled them to build institutions such as Bethel?

The history of the Mennonites is long and honorable. It starts clear back in the first days of the great Reformation. When Luther, Calvin and Zwingli were carving their mighty Protestant sects out of the heart of Europe, a little group of leaders, with beliefs more liberal even than those great religious heads entertained, were meeting in private homes at Zurich, Switzerland, to pray and study the Word of God.

The tenets upon which these so-called Anabaptists stood were few and simple and may be summed up as follows:

The church was a voluntary group of believers, banded together to worship.

Adult baptism on confession of faith alone was accepted as an initiatory symbol into the church.

The Bible was the only guide to faith and practice. The New Testament was preferred to the Old as an authority.

All temporal matters were shunned. Yet obedience to the rulers and cheerful payments of taxes to support the government were taught.

The Christian could not take up the sword.

Surely no simpler, purer faith was ever expounded. Yet because it dissented from some of the forms practiced by the existing churches, its members became the objectives of a furious persecution. Leader after leader was arrested, tortured and martyred. The rank and file were harried from one country to another, and all in the fair name of religion.

Upon this troubled stage walked a humble man from Holland in the year 1531. He was Menno Simons, who had been reared in the Catholic priesthood, and had renounced the life of ease and security, when a study of the writings of Luther and other Protestant leaders, together with his own study of the Bible, convinced him he must espouse the new faith.

From the first he was a power. He wrote brilliantly and voluminously, explaining the teachings

"Who Are the Mennonites," "The Settlement in Kansas," "The Contribution to Kansas," and "Bethel College—Its History" are taken from a pamphlet by A. J. Graber, "Back of Bethel College, The Mennonite Story."





Here Menno Simons set up his press. The Linden tree is over four hundred years old and is known as Menno Simons' Linde.

of the faith, and when he could get no one else to print these writings, he set up a printing press and printed them himself for distribution among the people. Forced to flee for his life not once but a score of times, he lived for years under the constant danger of arrest, with an imperial reward on his head and an imperial decree promising death by torment to any who aided him or gave him food or shelter. When at last he died, he left behind him an indelible imprint upon those with whom he had associated and these became known as Mennonites.

The Mennonite teachings fell like the balm of Gilead upon the hearts of the common people of Europe, wracked by discord, war, and oppression. In spite of the persecution which followed it everywhere, the movement spread rapidly. An example of this persecution is a shameful chapter in the history of Switzerland, the very home of the movement. There the Mennonites suffered the death penalty until well into the seventeenth century; they were condemned to serve as galley slaves as late as the eighteenth century and were left to rot in filthy prisons and banished to foreign lands up to the beginning of the nineteenth century. In other countries they suffered a like fate. Yet the Mennonites continued to worship as their conscience told them.

Gradually the industry, the frugality, and the honesty of their lives began to make an impress. Catherine the Great of Russia was among those who recognized this. She offered them great inducements to settle in her realm and thousands of them did so. William Penn, the great Quaker, recognized their qualities and wrote letters to them and visited them, telling them of America, and asking them to form a settlement there. This resulted in the establishment of the Germantown settlement in Pennsylvania in 1683, the first permanent Mennonite community in the western hemisphere.

Germantown was the beginning of a great migration. More and more of the European membership drifted to this new land, where tolerance and freedom were keynotes, until today there are more of the faith in North America than there are in any other nation on the globe.



A view of Germantown, Pa., the first settlement of Mennonites in the United States in 1683.

# THE SETTLEMENT IN KANSAS

The coming of the Mennonites was an event of great importance. . . . They have transformed a large section of Kansas into farms . . . introduced the celebrated Turkey wheat . . . made Kansas the greatest wheat producing state in America.—Prof. G. D. Bradley, University of Toledo, *The Story of the Santa Fe*.

There is much of romance and adventure in the coming of the Mennonites to Kansas. When the eastern Mennonite colonies were formed, Kansas was a wilderness, covered with vast buffalo herds and inhabited only by the wild and warlike Indians. But Kansas had scarcely passed the frontier stage when small groups of Mennonites began arriving on prospecting tours, seeking for unsettled lands where large areas could be secured cheaply enough to form extensive, compact settlements.

In Russia the situation had grown intolerable. Under promises of special privileges, Catherine the Great had induced thousands of German Mennonites to settle in her domains. They were granted permission to use their own language, to govern themselves, and were exempt from military service. The industry and skill of these residents of "Little Germany" in the heart of Russia aroused the jealousy of the Russians who lived about them, and constant pressure was brought to take away from them these privileges.



The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company, in 1874, transported the Mennonite immigrants to Kansas free of charge.

At last the Czar decided to take that action. Three separate committees went to St. Petersburg in fruitless attempts to remind him of the nation's promises to them. He informed them they must hereafter speak the Russian language, submit to Russian government and, most serious of all, do service in the Russian army. The latter provision was modified to permit them to substitute forestry, hospital, and government factory service for actual fighting.

The Mennonites in despair sent chosen men as did the Israelites of old to spy out the promised land of America. A committee of twelve, including Leonhard Sudermann, Isaac Peters, Jacob Buller, Heinrich Richert, Jacob Wiebe, Johann Wiebe, and Gerhard Wiebe, visited in Kansas in 1872. They had been preceded by a few others, among them Bernhard Warkentin, who became one of Newton's leading business men and destined to make a large and important contribution to the

Temporary immigrant houses built for the Mennonites fifteen miles north of Newton by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad.







Schools and churches were built upon the level prairies.

economic greatness of Kansas. The committee found the smiling prairies ready to welcome them. With thanksgiving in their hearts they returned with the good news to Russia.

In the meantime steps were taken by Kansas and Kansans to facilitate the Mennonite movement to this state. Among the leaders in this activity was the Santa Fe Railroad Company, which quickly recognized the value to its territory in having these frugal, hard-working, intelligent people as settlers. In a large measure through its influence, a law was passed exempting the Mennonites from the state militia service.

C. B. Schmidt, a Santa Fe agent, visited Russia to present the claims and advantages of the Sunflower State. The company even chartered a Red Star liner which was sent to the Black Sea for a shipload of Mennonite household goods and farm implements. These goods were brought to New York and thence shipped by rail to Kansas without charge to the immigrants.

The first Mennonite immigrants to Kansas disembarked at Newton and at once were taken to the luxuriant prairies north of that city where they established their homes and formed the nucleus of the settlements that were to follow.

Vast stretches of Kansas railroad land were offered to the newcomers at from two to five dollars an acre.

Groups of immigrants as they arrived in the east, were carried across the continent in special trains. Hundreds came during the summer of 1874, settling chiefly in Marion, Harvey, McPherson, and Reno counties. Today the Mennonites of Kansas constitute one of the pillars of the state's wealth and prosperity.

## THE CONTRIBUTION TO KANSAS

They have brought out bleeding Kansas with flying colors; they have made it the banner wheat state. . . . They have made their section a garden of affluence and contentment. They have built a college in Kansas and missions among the Indians in the Indian Territory.—C. B. Schmidt, *Reminiscences of Foreign Immigration Work for Kansas*.

From the moment of their first arrival, the Kansas Mennonites have been a beneficial addition to the population of the state. They have shown themselves to be constantly industrious, thoroughly honest and dependable, self-reliant and progressive.

When they first came to this country, many brought with them the crude agricultural implements of the Russia from which they came. But they were quick to see and take advantage of scientific farm equipment and methods and today are not outdone by any in modern efficient management.



Up from the Soil

The Mennonite character has remained essentially the same for three hundred years and more. Primarily they are farmers—tillers of the soil—and that is what they are still doing in Kansas. Some of them, however, have gone into business, and there the same qualities of rugged honesty, perseverance and willingness to labor, have won them rewards. The communities in which the Mennonites have settled are among the most prosperous in the state. Bankers and merchants alike are happy to welcome them.

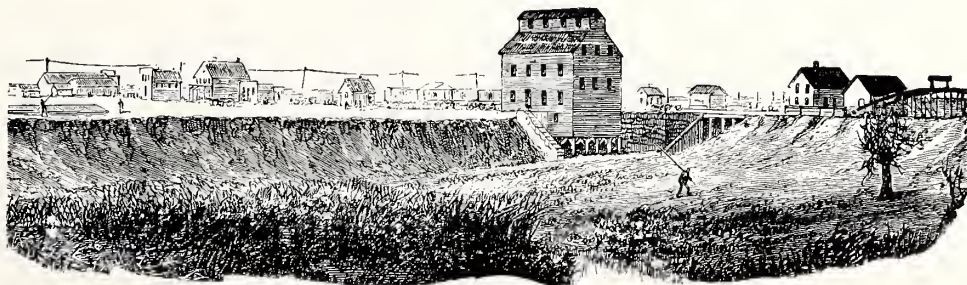
The same idealism which has carried them through centuries of oppression and persecution, has induced them to establish numerous schools, hospitals, and other institutions of a similar nature.

These are the general contributions of the Mennonites to Kansas, but there is one specific contribution, credit for which belongs to them and them alone, which has meant so much in the development not only of Kansas but all the surrounding states, that it is difficult to estimate its full value. That contribution is the introduction of the famous Turkey Red wheat, the hard wheat which has made Kansas the premier wheat-producing country in the world.

More than any other man, the name of Bernhard Warkentin is associated with this priceless contribution. Before the coming of hard wheat, Minnesota was the chief wheat-growing state in the Union, and the soft spring wheat was considered to be the best. Efforts to grow spring wheat in Kansas had not been too successful, and millers had been in the habit of paying less money for Kansas wheat than they did for wheat from the northwest.

It was Bernhard Warkentin's early life on the Russian steppes which suggested to him the idea of bringing to this country the type of wheat which he knew from experience grew so successfully on the plains of Turkestan, a country which was in many respects the same as Kansas.

Mr. Warkentin's plan was to experiment with the wheat here. He imported some seed and his fellow Mennonites cooperated with him in planting it and watching its growth. The results astounded even the Mennonites themselves. Instead of planting it in the spring, they planted this Turkestan wheat, according to Asiatic custom, in the preceding fall. The wheat drew its nourishment from the winter



Old flour and grist mill at Halstead.





The characteristic feature of the American Mennonite remains, as a half century ago, farming, but now the sickle, flail, and threshing stone have been replaced by the combine.

snows. It developed as soon as the cold weather departed, and showed amazing vitality in resisting drouth, wind, and other detrimental climate factors.

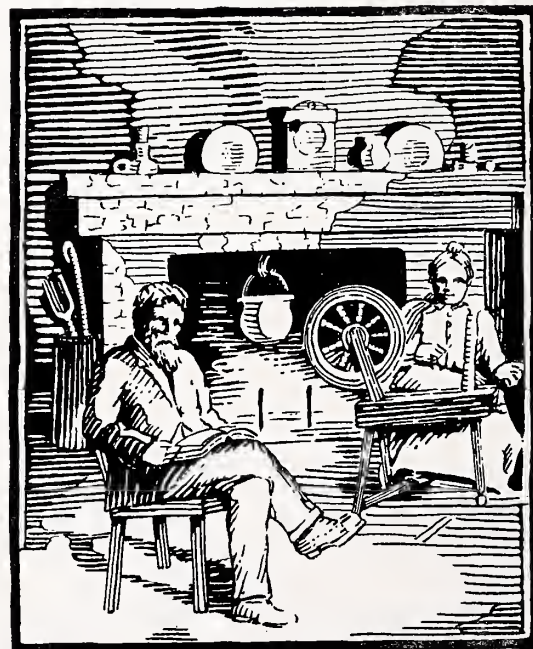
Soon the Mennonites were growing it everywhere. It was harder than spring wheat and different in other respects and at first the millers were loath to buy it. They penalized it with low prices and discouraged its growth.

But by now the Mennonites knew what they were doing. The wheat, they knew, had every quality which was necessary to make good flour. Moreover, many of them believed, as has since been proved, that this Turkestan wheat had superior qualities to the American wheat. They continued with the patient perseverance which has always characterized them, to grow the new wheat and market it in spite of all discouragements, sure that in the end its high quality would win a place for itself. Their faith was amply rewarded. The millers were not long in discovering that the so-called Turkey Red wheat, in addition to growing better and assuring substantially better crops in Kansas, had superior protein content and other qualities which made it the ideal flour for bread making. That discovery made, the pendulum swung the other way.

Today every Kansas farmer who grows wheat, grows the wheat which was brought to Kansas by the Mennonites. And that wheat has caused the entire western third of the state, which had been thought of as little more than a desert, to become one of the most productive areas in the nation. It has made Kansas the greatest wheat-producing state in the United States. It has added millions of dollars yearly to the state's economic production. It has helped indirectly in the building of colleges and universities, in the construction of roads, in the growth of cities, in the general happiness and contentment of the whole state.

That is what the Mennonites have done for Kansas.

Typical characteristics of early home life among the Mennonites were simplicity, frugality, and integrity through faith in God.





# BETHEL COLLEGE—ITS HISTORY

They have established Bethel College, a notably good school at Newton, while Bethel Hospital at Newton is one of the best of its kind in the state. In fact . . . Kansas has benefited from Mennonite industry and the Mennonites have prospered through Kansas tolerance.—Editorial, *New York Herald*, April, 1922.

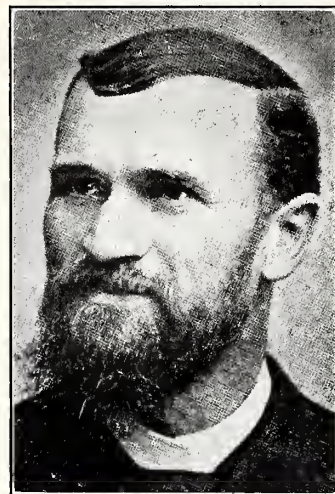
Bethel College at Newton is a monument to the unselfish devotion of the Mennonites of Kansas to education and enlightenment. Its history is one of struggle and accomplishment and today it stands on the threshold of a greater future for good.

To understand the history of Bethel, it is necessary to go back to the old Halstead Seminary, which was founded in the fall of 1883, as a school for teachers. This was strongly emphasized as the Mennonites were anxious to have people who could instruct their children in their church and district schools. This desire was so strong that they even went the length of cautioning the school leaders against dwelling upon religion too strongly, for fear the young men who attended the seminary would feel called upon to be preachers instead of teachers.

The Halstead Seminary operated for nine years. At the end of that time it was discontinued because of the founding of Bethel College. Says a Mennonite chronicler in telling of the establishment of the college:

"The citizens of Newton made to the Mennonites the magnificent offer of \$100,000 on the condition that they should permanently locate, endow, and operate there a college of the first class, and that \$50,000 should be spent in the erection of buildings as fast as the proceeds from the sale of the real estate subscribed for this purpose would permit. The offer itself consisted of land valued at \$85,000 and about \$15,000 in cash. The deeds for the real estate should be given as soon as work on the building would commence."

The offer came as a complete surprise to the Mennonite people, but they joyfully accepted it, as they saw in it an opportunity to extend and develop the work which they had begun at Halstead. A corporation was formed, and a charter drawn up, naming the college *Bethel* and undertaking to build and operate it as a college of the highest class. The incorporators thereupon appointed a board of trustees, consisting of John J. Krehbiel, Bernhard Warkentin, David Goerz, Heinrich Ewert, D. C. Ruth, Abraham Quiring, C. R. McLain, J. M. Ragsdale,



DAVID GOERZ  
Founder of Bethel College



Twenty-fifth  
Anniversary





C. H. WEDEL  
First President of Bethel College  
1893—1910

and A. B. Gilbert. The purpose and aim of the college was expressed in the charter in these words:

"It will therefore be the high and noble aim of Bethel College to give an opportunity to the sons and daughters of Mennonite families to obtain their education within the pale of their own church, as well as to pay the debt of gratitude to other denominations by opening wide the doors of the institution so that all may have an opportunity to partake of whatsoever advantage may be offered by it. For Bethel is to be no local institution, intended to supply the wants of just a limited district, but in accordance with its corporate name, it is to be a college of the Mennonite Church of North America, open not only to members of that church, but to all who may wish to avail themselves of the opportunity thus offered."

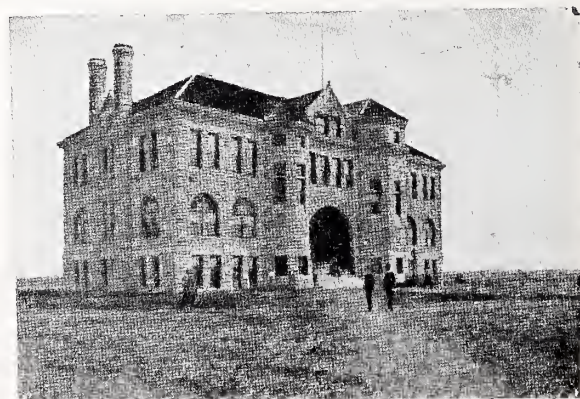
With these high aims and ideals, Bethel opened its doors in the fall of 1893, with a student body of sixty on the first day and a faculty of six, headed by C. H. Wedel, who with G. A. Haury had been transferred from Halstead, and David Goerz, who acted as the first business manager.

In keeping with the agreement entered into when the gift of Newton was accepted, the board of trustees proceeded to erect the large and beautiful stone building which is today the administration building of Bethel. Before this building was finished, it was seen that the college could not get along without more buildings. A dormitory for girls was needed, with a boarding hall and a students' home. This need was solved shortly by the sale of the buildings of the old Halstead Seminary. The sale was at public auction, and the trustees of Bethel bought the buildings, then proceeded to move the three largest and best overland to the Bethel campus. These were transformed into the required institutional buildings and served the purpose exceptionally well.

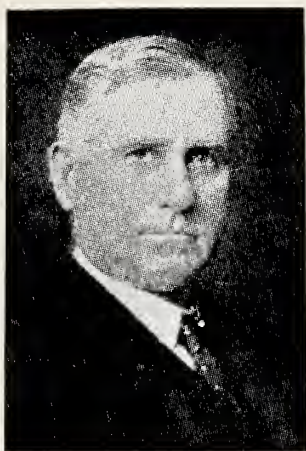
Those first days were truly days of self-denial and hardship. The campus, in contrast with the present beautiful park of tree-clad greensward, was bare and uninviting. The equipment was meager and the faculty had to wrestle with all sorts of problems not in the ordinary line of a college professor's duties. But teachers and students carried bravely on, having faith in its supporters and in the future of the college.

One by one other buildings were added, including Carnegie Hall in 1907, the Mission Home in 1911, Alumni Hall in 1914, and the Science Hall in 1924, together with a number of other buildings of smaller size.

The addition of these buildings indicates the rapid growth which the college was enjoying, but there was always need for larger student accommodations, challeng-



Bethel College immediately after its completion—A monument that seems to have grown out of the barren prairies—It is recognized as an important achievement in the development of Mennonite education—A landmark in early days.



BERNHARD WARKENTIN  
Co-Founder of Bethel College  
and Treasurer of the Board  
of Directors, 1892-1903.

ing the college to continue its splendid growth and justifying the hopes of its founders.

During the fall of 1912, the students formed an athletic association. The college began to develop basketball, track, tennis, and finally football teams, which met with the other schools of Kansas and have established through the years a growing respect for the "Graymaroons," as they are called. In basketball, particularly, has Bethel been successful, and the annual games in which the representatives of this school engage with other schools are always well played and full of thrills and interest, with Bethel winning a large proportion of the victories.

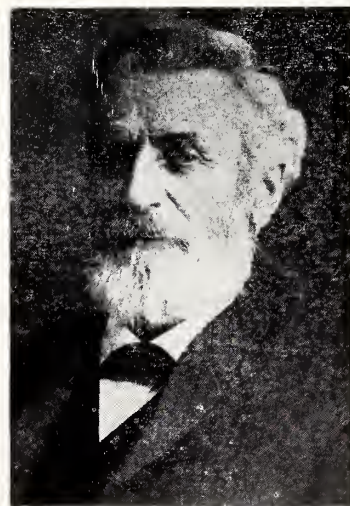
Year by year the effort to improve Bethel in every possible way has borne fruit in many other ways than the additional physical equipment and buildings. It has developed in increased enthusiasm of the student body, in the improved standards of instruction and in a wider service to those attending college and to the community. Steadily the faculty offerings have advanced with the addition of highly trained personnel, until today Bethel has established a definite place for itself among the small colleges of Kansas.

Bethel has also made a wonderful record in debate and oratory work, and its work in music has attracted attention throughout the nation.

Today Bethel stands out as one of the fine cultural centers of Kansas. The college has exerted a marked influence upon the religious and cultural life not only of its Mennonite constituency but upon all of southern Kansas. Up to the present time some four thousand students have passed through its doors. Of these a large percentage have entered definite educational or religious work of some sort and have thus carried on the torch which was given them.

From an institution with 4 teachers and 43 academy students in 1887, Bethel College has grown to an institution with 32 teachers training approximately 420 students each year. The college owns 26 buildings and 950 acres of land, and it directs the expenditure of more than \$150,000 annually.

During the past five years the endowment fund has been increased from \$285,000 to \$320,000— an increase of \$35,000, and the indebtedness has been reduced from \$141,000 to \$86,000— a reduction of \$55,000. The worth of the plant and equipment is now \$411,000; five years ago the plant valuation was \$290,000. The Golden Anniversary Memorial Fund Campaign is an effort to balance the current budget, to reduce further the indebtedness of the school, to increase the endowment fund, and to begin the construction of Memorial Hall.



J. J. KREHBIEL  
Co-Founder of Bethel College  
and President of the Board of  
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# MEMORIAL HALL

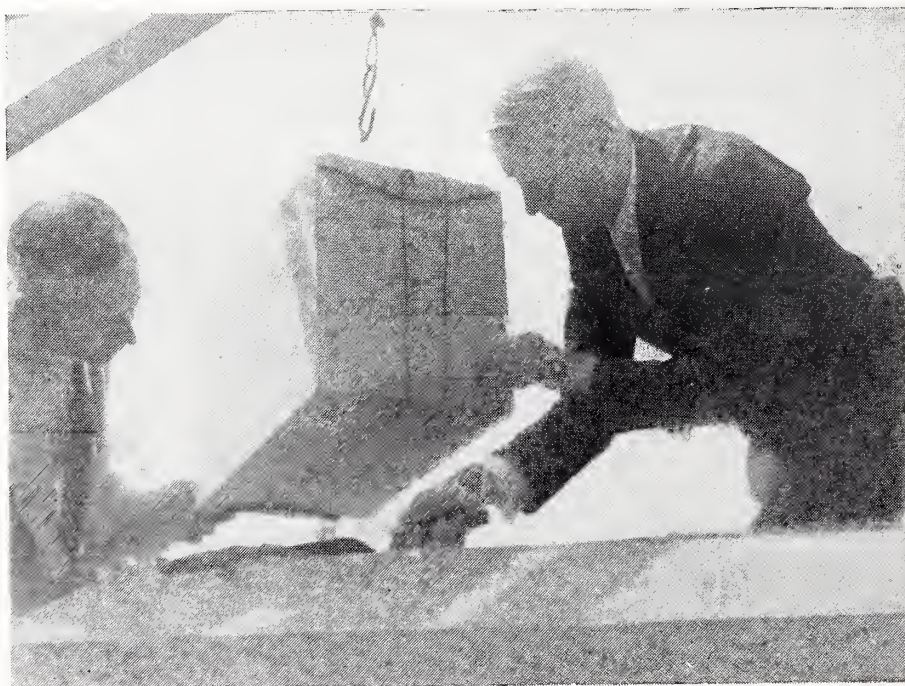
The dream of a student union building for Bethel College began to take form on November 26, 1937, when the Bethel College Corporation passed a resolution to make plans for the construction of a \$100,000 Memorial Hall. During the following months, plans for the building were drawn up by Cuthbert and Suchrk, architects of Topeka.

With the eyes of friends and supporters turned to the future and thoughts centered on what the pioneers did for the progress of the school, the first spadeful of sod was dug for the Memorial Hall on February 1, 1938. As he pushed a spade into the ground on the building site, Guy Hawk, Newton business man and representative of the College Advisory Board stated, "The pioneers who have gone before us have led up to this first turning of the sod for the Memorial Hall."

By Wednesday, May 11, 1938 two hundred and fifty men from thirty Mennonite congregations in Newton and near-by towns had contributed labor in putting up the wooden wall forms and in mixing and pouring the foundation concrete. Bethel College students and faculty members also donated labor during the erection of the basement walls.

On October 12, 1938, the corner stone of the Memorial Hall was laid. The first floor of the building will be a semi-basement similar to the basement of the Administration Building and will contain the dining hall, kitchen, soda fountain, bookstore, post office, and student union section. The student union will occupy about one-third of the floor space.

The main floor of the building will be an auditorium-gymnasium with dressing and shower room facilities at the north end. The auditorium will have the capacity to seat at least 2,500 people and will be used for dramatics, song festivals, conferences, etc.



Rev. P. K. Regier, President of the Bethel College Board of Directors,  
laying the corner stone of Memorial Hall, October 12, 1938





Sister Frieda Kaufman  
Mother Superior of  
the Sisterhood



The Bethel Deaconess Hospital

## THE BETHEL DEACONESS HOME AND HOSPITAL

The first interest manifested in deaconess work among the Mennonites in the United States began with the Reverend David Goerz of Newton, Kansas, the business manager of Bethel College. In the year 1900 Sister Frieda Kaufman, the first candidate for deaconess work, presented herself to him and was admitted to the College for preparatory training.

In March, 1903, the Board of Directors of Bethel College organized the Bethel Deaconess Home and Hospital Society in Newton as a separate branch of Bethel College activities. At the end of two years, the Society with the consent of the Bethel College Corporation ceased to recognize any dependent relation with the College and has since labored independent of the Bethel College Corporation as a Deaconess Home and Hospital Society.

A plot of ground in the south part of Newton was purchased by the Society in 1905, and two years later the contract for the erection of a hospital building closed. On June 11, 1908, amid general rejoicing and thanksgiving, the building was dedicated to the Lord, to be used in His service. In 1910 the Society was presented with the Bethel Deaconess Home by Mrs. Bernhard Warkentin.

Two years later, the members of the hospital society of Mountain Lake, Minnesota, affiliated with the Bethel Deaconess Home and Hospital Society. A fireproof Hospital, a Nurses' Home, and a Home for the Aged were the fruits of these combined efforts. Since 1930 these institutions are functioning independently.

In order to provide more room for hospital purposes, a five-story addition to the Hospital was constructed in 1913, while Mrs. Bernhard Warkentin enlarged the Deaconess Home in 1916.

Following the dedication of the Hospital, a Women's Auxiliary to assist in the development of the institution was organized. In May, 1929, the group presented a petition to the Annual Meeting of the Bethel Deaconess Home and Hospital Society asking for permission to

Herman J. Andres,  
Administrator  
of the Bethel  
Deaconess  
Hospital





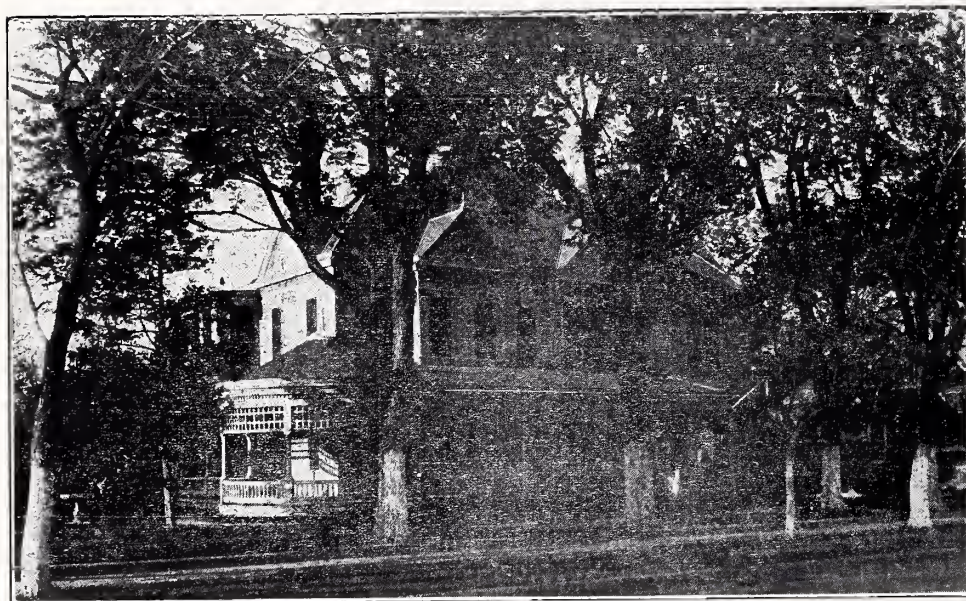
solicit funds for a separate building to care for aged persons. With their able help the building became a reality and was opened for service on May 9, 1926. In 1927 the Women's Auxiliary initiated and has since then sponsored a Bethel Home Gift Day which has made possible the service and comforts of the Home to the residents who are not able to pay for their entire support.

A new addition to the Hospital was begun on October 3, 1938. The first floor will be occupied by the recently organized Bethel Clinic; the second floor will be used for patients' rooms; while the basement will be used for a laboratory and physiotherapy department. The third floor and a part of the basement will remain unfinished until funds are available to complete them.

During the past year considerable work was done on the Student Nurses Home. The walls were raised and a permanent roof put on. The entire second floor was also finished. The first floor is being used by the School of Nursing.

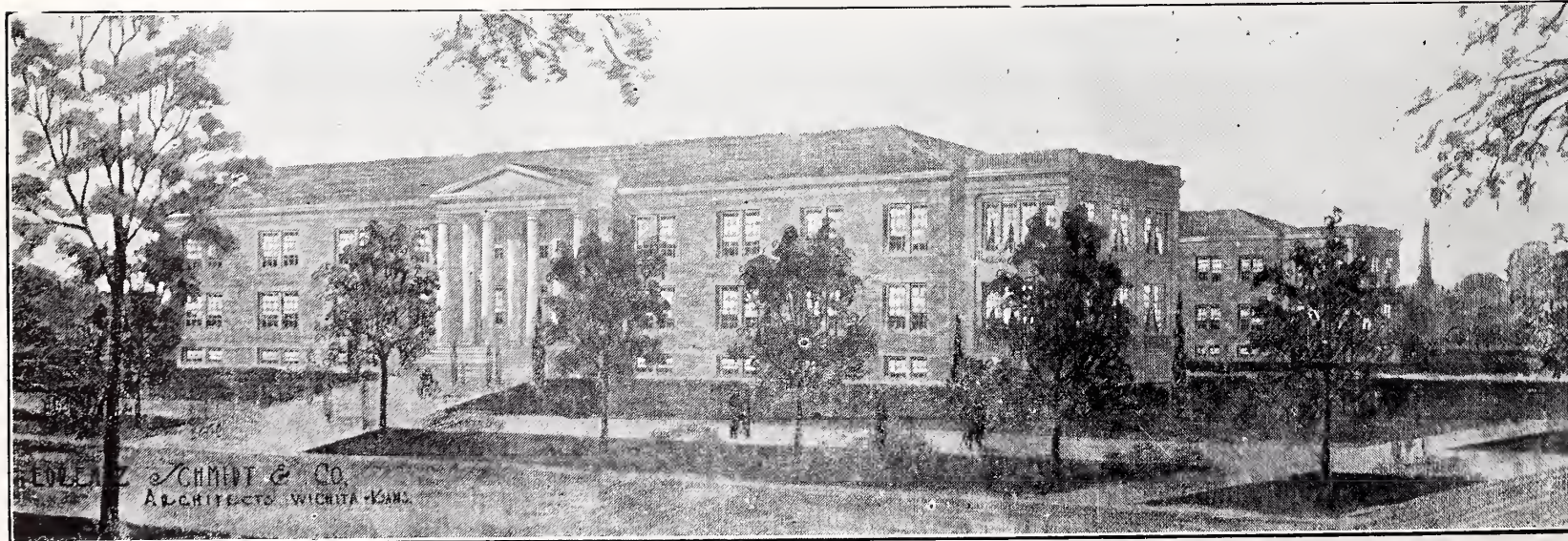
The new clinic which was organized during 1938 marked the fulfillment of a recognized need and will be an asset to the Hospital in rendering service in the future.

At the present time, Sister Frieda Kaufman is the Mother Superior of the Sisterhood, which numbers thirty-two. Mr. H. J. Andres is the Administrator of the Bethel Deaconess Hospital, and Sister Helena Entz is the Sister in Charge of the Bethel Home for the Aged.



The Wilhelmina E. Warkentin  
Memorial Home

The Bethel Home for the Aged





# HOMES OF BETHEL



Flood waters in the city of Halstead, home of Bethel until 1893.



Ruins of Fire, Newton, Kansas, August 4, 1914



One of the only two pictures in existence of the old Santa Fe depot at Newton.



# HISTORY OF NEWTON

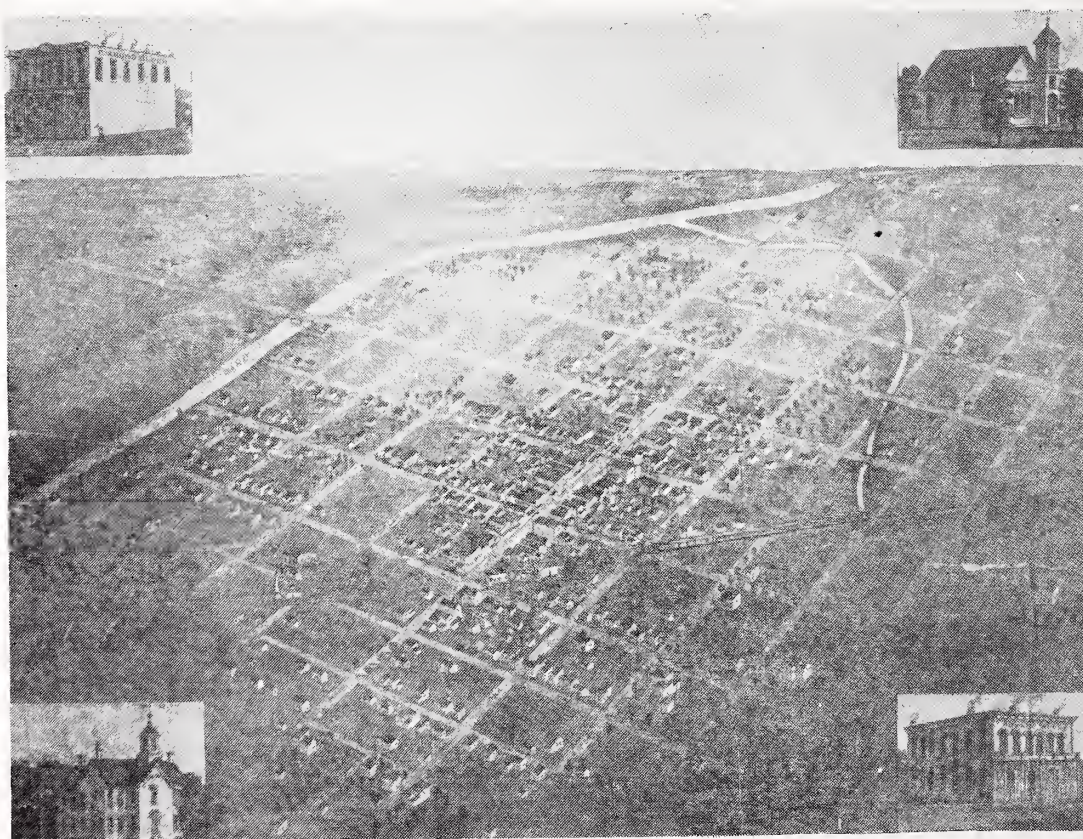
Newton, the home of Bethel College, has come a long way on the road of progress since its beginning as an unorganized group of "sovereign squatters." Prior to the year 1862, Newton was a mere cattle-trading post, noted for the too promiscuous handling of six-shooters by exuberant cowboys. It was at one time the last outpost of civilization on the new western frontier. However, in 1872, this city was incorporated under Kansas laws and subsequently chosen as the county seat of Harvey County.

In 1880, Newton was elevated from a third-class city to second-class because of the rapid growth of the population. The city was governed by the mayor-council form of government until 1910, when the commission form of government was adopted, which has existed up to the present time.

A large number of businesses have been attracted to Newton during the course of its existence, and the city has become bustling and prosperous, thriving on the community-mindedness and unselfish cooperation which has always been characteristic of its citizens. The same spirit of cooperation which enabled Newton to build up its industries and to attain the reputation of being one of the cleanest, safest, and healthiest towns in the state has brought about civic virtues, such as good hospitals, excellent educational opportunities, and valuable lyceum series.

Newton is still expanding, and its citizens are still working together for a better community. Just recently a \$485,000 building program in the Newton City Schools was completed.

Today, as a motorist enters Newton on any of the hard-surfaced highways U. S. 81, 50S, or Kansas 15, he finds himself at the crossroads of a nation. Before him lies a city with a population of over 11,000, while to the north lies the beautiful tree-clad campus of the school which had such humble beginning and has grown until it has become the largest Mennonite college in North America.



NEWTON IN 1878



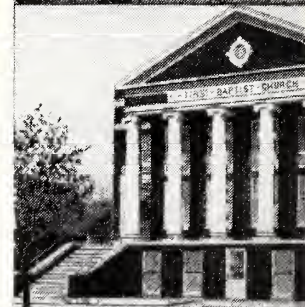
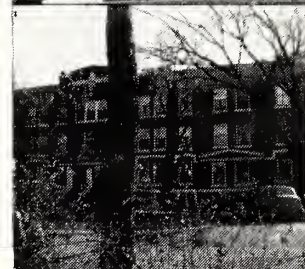


Three views of  
Santa Fe Depot  
Goerz Flour Mill  
Roundhouse  
Parade on Main Street  
Entrance to  
Lindley Hall

## NEWTON - TODAY



Airview of the Business  
district of Newton



Lindley Hall  
Newton High School  
First Mennonite Church  
Axtell Hospital  
First Baptist Church  
Christian Church



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## 1884 - 1938

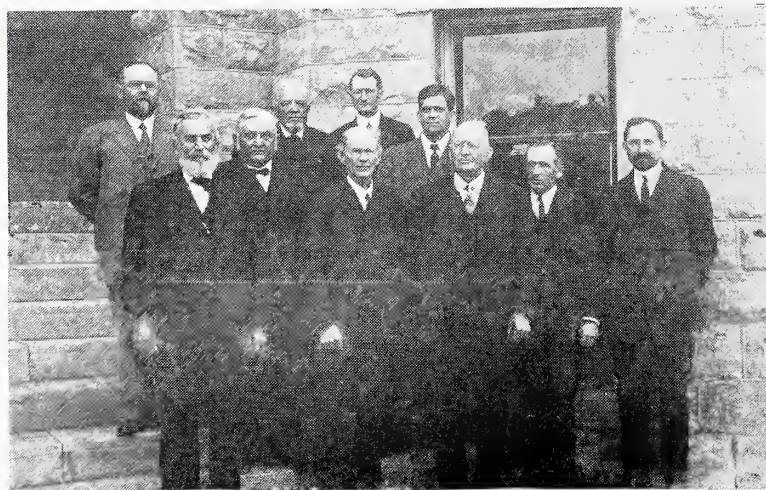
### Mennonite Seminary, Halstead, Kansas, 1884-1893

Rev. Dietrich Gaeddert	- - - -	Burton, Kansas
Rev. David Goerz	- - - -	Halstead, Kansas
Mr. Herman Sudermann	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. Leonhard Sudermann	- - - -	Brainerd, Kansas
Rev. William Ewert	- - - -	Marion, Kansas
Rev. Heinrich Richert	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. Valentine Krehbiel	- - - -	Alta, Kansas
Rev. Johann Ratzlaff	- - - -	Farms, Kansas
Rev. Jacob Stucky	- - - -	Lake View, Kansas
Rev. J. R. Toews	- - - -	McLain, Kansas
Rev. Jacob Buller	- - - -	Newton, Kansas

### Bethel College, Newton, Kansas, 1893-1938

Mr. J. J. Krehbiel	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Mr. D. C. Ruth	- - - -	Halstead, Kansas
Mr. B. Warkentin	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. H. H. Ewert	- - - -	Halstead, Kansas
Mr. A. Quiring	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Mr. A. B. Gilbert	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Mr. J. M. Ragsdale	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Mr. C. R. McLain	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. Peter Balzer	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. Christian Ramseyer	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Rev. Jacob W. Penner	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Rev. S. F. Sprunger	- - - -	Berne, Indiana
Rev. A. B. Shelly	- - - -	Milford Square, Pennsylvania
Mr. Peter P. Steiner	- - - -	Pandora, Ohio
Mr. G. P. Ledig	- - - -	Summerfield, Illinois
Rev. J. S. Hirschler	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Rev. Gustav Harder	- - - -	Brainerd, Kansas
Rev. Christian Schowalter	- - - -	Donnellson, Iowa
Rev. J. J. Balzer	- - - -	Mountain Lake, Minnesota
Rev. H. Banman	- - - -	Goessel, Kansas
Rev. N. B. Grubb	- - - -	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Rev. W. S. Gottshall	- - - -	Schwenksville, Pennsylvania
Rev. Abraham Ratzlaff	- - - -	Buhler, Kansas
Mr. H. P. Goertz	- - - -	Mountain Lake, Minnesota
Mr. Jacob Isaac	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. A. S. Shelly	- - - -	Bally, Pennsylvania

Rev. Jacob J. Langenwalter	- - - -	Halstead, Kansas
Mr. D. J. Regier	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. J. G. Regier	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. J. C. Goering	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. R. A. Goerz	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Dr. R. S. Haury	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. P. H. Richert	- - - -	Goessel, Kansas
Mr. J. W. Krehbiel	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. Paul Mouttet	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Rev. P. P. Buller	- - - -	Goessel, Kansas
Rev. H. P. Krehbiel	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. P. P. Wedel	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. G. N. Harms	- - - -	Whitewater, Kansas
Rev. B. W. Harder	- - - -	Whitewater, Kansas
Rev. Henry Riesen	- - - -	Geary, Oklahoma
Rev. C. J. Goering	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. C. C. Wedel	- - - -	Canton, Kansas
Rev. Cornelius Penner	- - - -	Beatrice, Nebraska
Rev. John Lichti	- - - -	Medford, Oklahoma
Rev. D. D. Unruh	- - - -	Inman, Kansas
Rev. J. M. Suderman	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. J. H. Richert	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. M. Horsch	- - - -	Upland, California
Rev. J. E. Entz	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. J. W. Kliever	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. D. J. Brandt	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. M. J. Galle	- - - -	Aberdeen, Idaho
Mr. J. E. Regier	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Rev. J. H. Epp	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Mr. J. J. Buhler	- - - -	Buhler, Kansas
Mr. J. W. Graber	- - - -	Kingman, Kansas
Rev. P. K. Regier	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Rev. Phillip Wedel	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. J. C. Regier	- - - -	Buhler, Kansas
Mr. L. J. Horsch	- - - -	Upland, California
Mr. Gerhard Zerger	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. H. E. Suderman	- - - -	Newton, Kansas
Mr. Nelson Krehbiel	- - - -	Moundridge, Kansas
Mr. Adam Ratzlaff	- - - -	Orienta, Oklahoma
Rev. Arnold Funk	- - - -	Hillsboro, Kansas
Rev. Sam J. Goering	- - - -	North Newton, Kansas



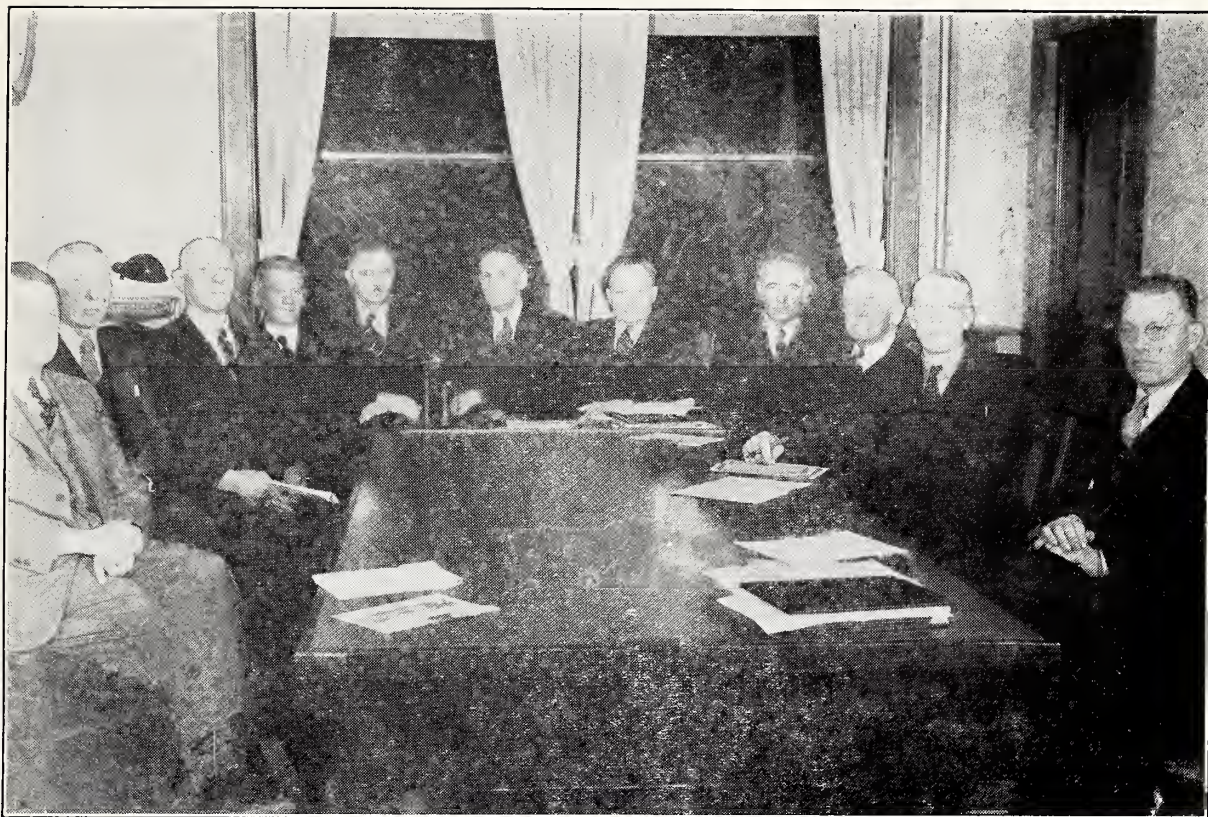
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 1911-1914

Left to right: D. J. Regier, J. J. Krehbiel, Gustav Harder, J. W. Penner, H. Banman, J. W. Kliever, R. A. Goerz, Abraham Ratzlaff, J. G. Regier, R. S. Haury.

Not on picture: Jacob Isaac, H. P. Goertz



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Left to right: R. A. Goerz, H. E. Suderman, C. C. Wedel, P. H. Richert, Gerhard, Zerger, B. J. Stucky, E. G. Kaufman, J. F. Moyer, J. E. Entz, P. K. Regier, A. E. Funk.

The Board of Directors of Bethel College is the legal representative of the Bethel College Corporation of the Mennonite Church of North America. This board consists of thirteen members who are elected at the annual meeting of the corporation for a term of six years. The term of office of the members is so arranged that not more than three are elected at one time. It is a policy to include in the membership men from various professions, such as ministers, educators, physicians, and others, no more than one-third being drawn from any one vocation.

After the annual meeting of the corporation, the Board of Directors organizes and elects its standing committees.



# PRESIDENTS

## C. H. Wedel



C. H. WEDEL  
First President of Bethel  
College, 1893-1910

Rev. C. H. Wedel, the first president of Bethel College, served in this office from the opening of the school in 1893 until his death in 1910.

Reverend Wedel ranked high as a student and teacher of theology and as a religious leader of his day, also as a writer of Mennonite history, church history, and religious literature. In the libraries of Holland, Germany, and Switzerland he did much of his research work and gathered material for his books, of which he published eleven volumes.

His first education he received in South Russia, where he was born in 1860, in a village school taught by his father. This education was continued in American rural schools after the migration to this country in 1874. He later attended McKendrie College in Lebanon, Illinois, and the German Presbyterian Seminary at Bloomington, Illinois.

In 1881 he entered the mission field as educator and missionary among the American Indians at Darlington, Oklahoma. His health forced him to withdraw from this position,

but his interest in the work did not die. In 1907 he was appointed president of the Mission Board.

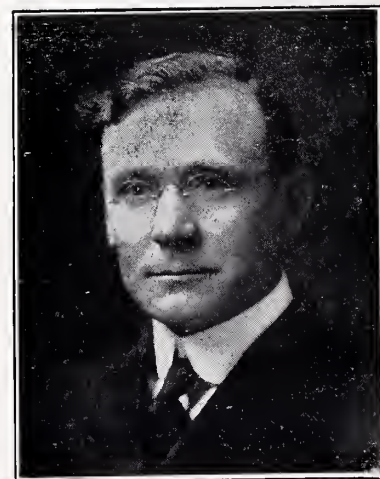
Professor Wedel's classroom lectures were fascinating and inspiring. Many of the delicious bits of humor he released are still afloat among his former students, and his unshaken faith in God and the ultimate triumph of righteousness is still remembered. His friends also remember him as a great lover of nature, preparing outlines for new books in an arbor under the trees close to his residence, and giving English lessons to his pet, an African parrot.

His plans for another trip to Europe, 1910, were not fulfilled, for his rich and fruitful life came to a close on March 28 of that year.

## Jacob H. Langenwalter

Dr. Jacob H. Langenwalter stands as a pillar of strength in the leadership of the Mennonite church. Serving as acting-president of Bethel College in 1910-1911 and later as president from 1921 to 1925, he made distinctive contributions to the institution's growth.

Born in Halstead, Kansas, in 1877, Doctor Langenwalter has pursued an active career in Christian ministry and education. He came to Bethel to begin his college education, and after studying here for two years he enrolled in Baldwin Wallace College in Ohio. There he received his A. B. degree. He continued his study in such graduate schools as Oberlin Theological Seminary, Harvard University, and



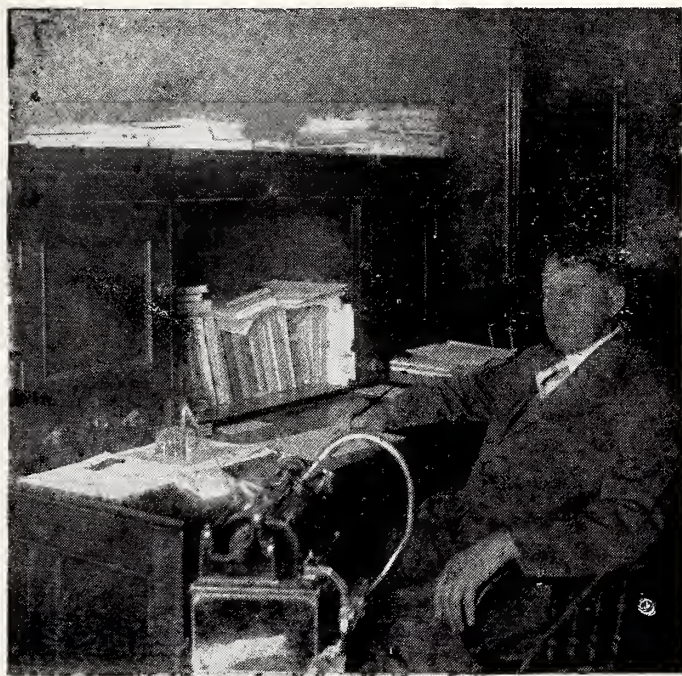
J. H. LANGENWALTER  
Acting President, 1910-1911  
President, 1921-1925



Hartford Theological Seminary. In 1917 he was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity at Baldwin Wallace College.

Reverend Langenwalter's first regular ministerial position was the pastorate of the Halstead Mennonite Church, from 1905 to 1909. Upon the death of President C. H. Wedel he stepped into the position of acting-president of Bethel College in 1910. He continued at Bethel as dean of the Bible Department. For a period of several years Doctor Langenwalter served as dean of the Mennonite Seminary at Bluffton, Ohio. He returned to Bethel College in 1919 to head the Bible Department, and in 1921 he assumed the presidency of the institution. Since then Doctor Langenwalter has served as professor of Biblical Literature at Friends University, Wichita, Kansas, and more recently as pastor of the First Mennonite Church of Reedley, California.

Devoted to the cause of Christian education, Doctor Langenwalter has made richer Bethel's heritage. During his term as acting-president he initiated the academic program of granting the A. B. degree. During his presidency the movement to build the Science Hall was inaugurated. Not only is Doctor Langenwalter remembered as a capable administrator, but also as a teacher, a counselor, and a genuine friend.



J. E. HARTZLER  
President 1920-21

## John E. Hartzler

Dr. John E. Hartzler served as president of Bethel College during the year 1920-21. A graduate of Goshen College, with degrees of B. D. from the Union Theological Seminary, M. A. from the University of Chicago, LL. B. from Hamilton College of Law, and Ph. D. from Hartford Theological Seminary, Doctor Hartzler began his career of Bible lecturing and teaching as pastor of a Mennonite church in Elkhart, Indiana. He was president of Goshen College from 1913 to 1918, when he accepted the position of professor of Bible at Bethel College.

He left Bethel to become president of the Witmarsum Theological Seminary, where he served for ten years. During his travels in the Near East he was professor of religion and philosophy at Beirut, Syria, and is now professor of philosophy and ethics at the Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Connecticut. He has done considerable work as a Bible lecturer.





J. W. KLIEWER

President 1911-1920; 1925-1932

## John W. Kliever

Among those who have contributed much to make Bethel what it is as a denominational school is the late Dr. John W. Kliever. Born on June 8, 1869, in the German community of Michalin, the lad lived until he was five years old amidst the rich agricultural lands of Southern Russia near the ancient city of Kiev.

Into this contented, peaceful scene came rumors from Moscow in the '70's that the military exemption under which the Mennonites had lived would be withdrawn. The Klievers left their home and fields in 1874 to come to America. Arriving in Kansas by rail, the Klievers, with some other Mennonite families, settled near Peabody, Kansas. The lad's mother died when he was but eight years old. During his youth Doctor Kliever herded cows summer and winter on the Kansas prairies. As he grew older he worked on threshing rigs, harvesting the Turkey red wheat which the Mennonites had brought to Kansas.

As a youth of twenty-one Doctor Kliever enrolled at the Garrett Biblical Institute at Evanston, Illinois, where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology. In 1925 he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from both Garrett Biblical Institute and Bluffton College.

After graduating from Garrett Institute, Doctor Kliever became pastor of the Mennonite Church at Wadsworth, Ohio. Following a brief pastorate there, he accepted the pastorate of the Mennonite Church at Berne, Indiana, the largest congregation in the Mennonite General Conference. There he was instrumental in the building of a new church edifice.

In September, 1911, Doctor Kliever came to Bethel College as president. He served in this capacity until 1920, and again from 1925 to 1932. During his first term he also assumed the duties of pastor of the Bethel College Church. Those were difficult years, with war raging in Europe.

Doctor Kliever also served as a member of the Peace Committee of the General Conference during the World War and was president of the Mennonite Mission Board from 1908 until 1935, at which time

he resigned because of illness. Following the War, Doctor Kliwer toured the world as representative of the Mission Board in the interest of foreign missions.

Because of failing health, Doctor Kliwer found it necessary to resign as president of Bethel College, as pastor of the Bethel College Church, and as president of the Mennonite Mission Board. In these various positions, friendship and administrative ability won for him the admiration and respect of thousands.

Recently he donated to the college his entire private library of two thousand volumes, representing some of the best literature in the field of religious thought. After his retirement from a long life of service, Doctor Kliwer devoted his time to writing his autobiography, entitled *Memoirs of J. W. Kliwer or From Herdboy to College President*.

On the morning of February 9, 1938, he passed away, at the age of sixty-eight years. His torch shall continue to shine forth, representing in simple dignity a man of beloved Christian character.



E. G. KAUFMAN  
President, 1932—

## Edmund George Kaufman

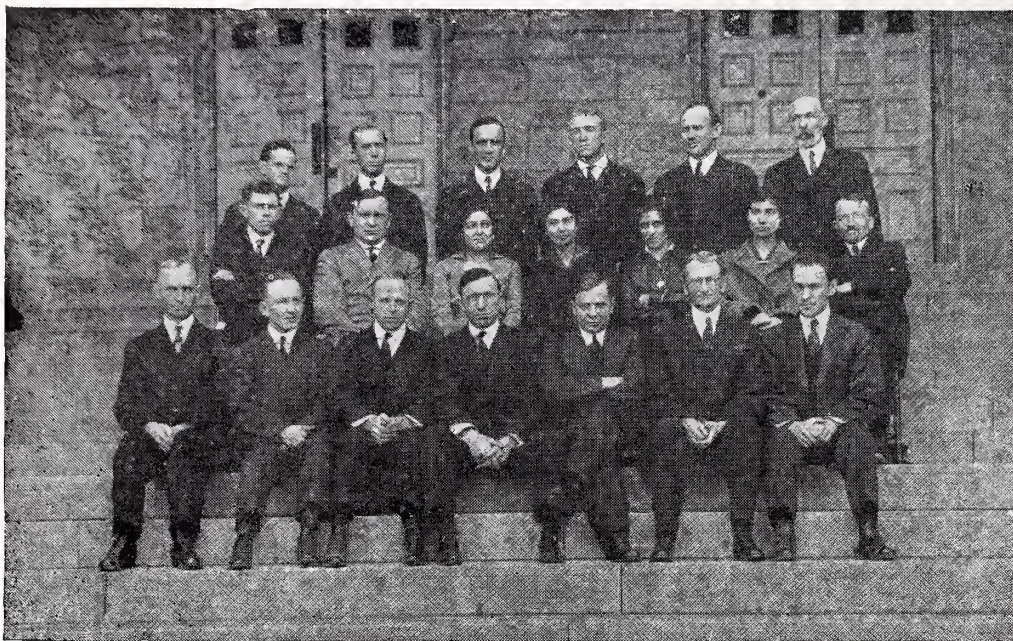
Edmund George Kaufman accepted the presidency of Bethel College in 1932. At the beginning of his administration the Five-Year Program was launched, the two-fold purpose of which has been to work for greater mutual appreciation and cooperation between the college and the constituency, and to develop and improve the institution itself.

Doctor Kaufman was born in 1891, in McPherson County, Kansas, where his parents, who are of Swiss ancestry, settled in 1873. He received his college education at Bethel College where he graduated in 1916. His graduate work was done at the University of Kansas, Witmarsum Theological Seminary, Garrett Biblical Institute, the University of Chicago, and Columbia University. He holds the M. A., B. D., and Ph. D. degrees, the latter he received at the University of Chicago in 1928.

The varied career of our President has included preaching, writing, lecturing, teaching, and administration. Following his marriage to Hazel Dester of Deer Creek, Oklahoma, in 1917, he and his wife spent eight years as missionaries in China. The two years previous to his coming to Bethel were spent as Professor of Education at Bluffton College.



## YESTERDAY - FACULTY



Faculty, 1914-15



Samuel Burkhard



Miss Helene Riesen



## TODAY - FACULTY



PETER S. GOERTZ, A. M., B. D., Ph. D.

*Dean of the College and Professor of  
Philosophy and Religion*

PETER J. WEDEL, A. M.

*Registrar and Professor Emeritus of  
Chemistry*

JOHN R. THIERSTEIN, A. B., Ph. D.

*Professor Emeritus of German*

ABRAHAM P. FRIESEN, A. M., Ph. D.

*Professor of Physics and Chairman of  
the Division of Natural Sciences*

JACOB H. DOELL, B. S., Ph. D.

*Professor of Biology*

JOHN E. LINSCHIED, A. M., Ph. D.

*Professor of English and Chairman of  
the Division of Humanities*

ABRAHAM WARKENTIN, A.M., Ph.D.

*Professor of German and Bible*

WALTER H. HOHMANN, Mus. M.

*Director of the Department of Music  
and Professor of Piano and Organ*

DAVID H. RICHERT, A. M.

*Professor of Mathematics and  
Astronomy*

AARON J. REGIER, A. M., Ph. D.

*Director of Teacher Training and  
Professor of Education*



## TODAY - FACULTY



PETER E. SCHELLENBERG, A. M., Ph. D.

*Professor of Psychology and Director of  
Testing and Vocational Counseling*

EMMET L. HARSHBARGER,  
A. M., Ph. D.

*Professor of History and Speech and  
Chairman of the Division of Social  
Sciences*

AMOS E. KREIDER, A. B., B. D.

*Professor of Bible and Director of  
Religious Life*

LEONARD C. KREIDER, M. Sc., Ph. D.

*Assistant Professor of Chemistry*

JOHN F. MOYER, A. M.,

*Treasurer of the College*

J. M. REGIER, A. M., B. D.

*Field Representative*

JOHN J. VOTH, Th. M., M. S.

*Assistant Professor of Industrial Arts*

JESSE N. SMUCKER, A. B., B. D.

*Pastor, Bethel College Mennonite  
Church*

MAMIE KENNEDY PHILLIPS, A. M.

*Assistant Professor of Home  
Economics*

WILLIS E. RICH, A. M.

*Director of Public Relations*



## TODAY - FACULTY



LENA WALTNER, A. M.

*Assistant Professor of Art*

BERNHARD BARGEN, A. B., A. M.

*Accountant and Assistant Professor  
of Commerce*

ROY E. GEETING, A. M., Ph. D.

*Assistant Professor of Economics*

ELLA M. WIEBE, R. N., B. S., A. M.

*Dean of Women and Instructor in  
Physical Education*

LEONA KREHBIEL, B. S., B. S. in L. S.

*Librarian*

OTTO D. UNRUH, A. B.

*Dean of Men and Instructor in  
Physical Education*

DAVID H. SUDERMAN, A. M.

*Instructor in Music*

THELMA DORTHEA REINHARD,  
A. M.

*Instructor in English and Dramatics*

SAM J. GOERING, A. M.

*Business Manager*

ELSA M. HAURY, A. B.

*Associate Professor of Music*



## TODAY - FACULTY



HARRY MARTENS, A. B.

*Assistant in Employment and Student  
Office*



HERBERT R. SCHMIDT, B. S., M. D.

*College Physician and Health  
Supervisor*

MARIAM PENNER SCHMIDT, A. M.

*Instructor in French*

HELEN MORGAN, B. S.

*Assistant in Physical Education*



MRS. FERDINAND VOTH

*Assistant Instructor in Music*

### NOT ON PANEL:

MRS. R. D. WILBUR, A. B., B. M.

*Instructor in Violin*

MRS. GLEN FULLER, A. B., Mus. B.

*Instructor in Organ and Piano*

JOHN B. HEFFELFINGER, A. M.

*Supervisor of Critic Teachers*

# THE FACULTY 1893 - 1938

C. H. WEDEL, Principal, 1893-1898; President, 1898-1910; Bible and History

G. A. HAURY, Literature, Latin, and German, 1893-1896; English Literature and Latin, 1896-1911; Latin, 1911-1926; Secretary of the Faculty, 1903-1926; Treasurer and Professor of Latin, 1925-1926

B. A. LEHMAN, Mathematics and Natural Science, 1893-1897

H. D. PENNER, German and English, (Prep.), 1893-1897; German, Bible, and Church History, 1913-1919

B. F. WELTY, Vocal and Instrumental Music, 1893-1906

J. W. KLIEWER, German and English, (Prep.), 1897-1898; Acting President, 1911-1916; President, 1916-1920; Ethics and Missions, President, 1925-1932; President Emeritus, 1932-1938

CLARA LEMMON, Fine Arts, 1896-1899

H. J. WEBSTER, Mathematics and Natural Science, 1897-1900

P. H. RICHERT, German and English, (Prep.), 1898-1909; German Academy Branches, 1900-1912; Bible, 1912-1913, 1920-1921

H. O. KRUSE, Principal, Natural Science, 1898-1902

MRS. GASTON BOYD, Elocution and Physical Culture, 1898-1899

C. N. PARSONS, Commercial Department, 1899-1906, 1908-1909

MARY A. WIRKLER, Fine Arts, 1899-1902

LINDA KREHBIEL, Elocution and Physical Culture, 1899-1903

A. S. HIRSCHLER, Mathematics and Natural History, 1900-1903

MRS. KATHERINE A. KRUSE, Art Needle Work, 1901-1903

P. J. WEDEL, Natural Science and History, 1902-1908; Natural Science, 1908-1914; Physical Science, 1914-1925; Registrar, 1919—

C. PAULUS, Fine Arts, 1902-1905

J. W. BIXEL, Voice, 1902-1908

MRS. B. F. WELTY, Assistant in Piano and Reed Organ, 1902-1906

J. R. THIERSTEIN, Mathematics and Mental Science, 1903-1904; Education and German, 1921-1937; Professor Emeritus of German and Education, 1937—

ALICE MARTIN, Elocution and Physical Culture, 1904-1915

A. J. GERBER, Mathematics, 1904-1905

J. H. ENNS, Mathematics, 1905-1906

ELIZABETH WIRKLER, Fine Arts, 1905-1914

D. H. RICHERT, Mathematics and Astronomy, Bethel Academy, 1906-1914; Bethel College, 1915—

D. A. HIRSCHLER, Instrumental Music, 1906-1914

F. M. UNRUH, Commercial Department, 1906-1909

F. J. ISAAC, Mathematics, 1908-1909

E. R. RIESEN, Education and German, 1909-1911, 1912-1913; Philosophy and Education, 1913-1918 (April)

P. D. AMSTUTZ, History and English Literature, 1908-1909

(After the death of C. H. Wedel in March, 1910, his work was carried on for the rest of the year by H. D. Penner and J. B. McCuish.)

J. H. LANGENWALTER, Acting President, 1910-1911; Dean, Bible Department, 1911-1913, 1919-1921; President, 1921-1925 (February)

HELEN HOISINGTON, Voice, 1910-1912, 1913-1915

LENA B. HUNZICKER, English and History, 1910-1913

H. L. STUMP, English Language and Literature, 1911-1914 (March)

N. H. HUFF, Completed the work in English for the rest of 1913-1914

J. H. DOELL, Biological Science, 1911—

KATHERINE MUELLER, Modern Languages and Greek, 1911-1913

ELSIE BYLER, English, Normal Training, and Dean of Women, 1911-1913

ELSIE RANDALL, Voice, 1912-1913

C. C. REGIER, History and Social Science, 1912-1914, 1918-1919

MRS. E. R. RIESEN, German 1912-1913

CRISSIE YODER, English, Normal Training, and Dean of Women, 1913-1914

J. F. BALZER, Greek and Bible, 1913-1918; Dean of College, 1914-1918

ELVA A. KREHBIEL, Academy English, 1913-1916

H. H. WIEBE, German, 1913-1915, 1917-1918

WILLIAM WIEBE, French, 1913-1914

MRS. A. W. MEENS, Physical Director for Women, 1913-1915

A. B. SCHMIDT, History and Social Science, 1914-1919; Registrar, 1918-1919

E. E. LEISY, English, 1914-1916, 1917-1918

J. H. FRANZEN, Normal Training, 1914-1916; German, 1916-1917

W. F. SCHROEDER, Assistant in Science and Physical Director for Men, 1914-1917

A. D. SCHMUTZ, Instrumental Music, 1914-1918, 1924-1928

J. E. AMSTUTZ, Ethics and Missions, 1914-1915; April, 1918, to end of 1918-1919

MILDRED SCHULER, Fine Arts, 1915-1916

P. D. SCHULTZ, Physical Science, 1915-1916

FLORA BENEDICT, French and German, Dean of Women, 1915-1916

JOY DAVIS, Home Economics, 1915-1916

GUSTAV ENSZ, German, 1915-1918

ELIZABETH HESSE, Voice, 1915-1918

MRS. RUBY MULLINS, Physical Director for Women, 1915-1917

J. W. SHANK, English, 1916-1917

SAMUEL BURKHARD, Education, 1916-1919; Acting Dean, 1917-1919

MRS. GUSTAV ENSZ, French, 1916-1917

ALICE HULICK, Fine Arts, 1916-1917

LUELLA WARREN, Academy English and Dean of Women, 1916-1919

ELMA SCHOWALTER, Librarian, 1916-1917

HELENE RIESEN, Librarian, 1917-1932 (December)

IRVIN HAURY, French and Spanish, 1917-1918

R. A. GOERZ, Athletic Coach, 1917-1918

ZILLAH MILEHAM, Physical Director for Women, 1917-1918

FRIEDA VAN DER SMISSEN, Home Economics, 1917-1920

DAISY KOPPE, Fine Arts, 1917-1918

IDA LIGO, English, 1918-1921

FERN DEMAR, Voice, 1918-1919, 1920-1922

J. E. HARTZLER, Bible, 1918-1920; President, 1920-1921

HELENA L. ISAAC, Academy German and Dean of Women, 1918-1920

MRS. HARRIET BLATCHLEY, Piano and Organ, 1918-1924

W. H. DOTSON, Athletic Coach, 1918-1919

ALFRED BRAUER, Biological Science, 1919-1921

C. C. JANZEN, History and Social Science, 1919-1923



- D. K. KATTERJOHN, Education, 1919-1920  
 JUSTINA REGIER, Voice, 1919-1920  
 NAOMI NELSON, Assistant in English and German, 1919-1920  
 WANDA ISAAC (Mrs. A. F. Tieszen), Instructor in Romance Languages, 1919-1920, 1926-1930  
 MRS. CORA HAURY, Normal Training and Bookkeeping, 1919-1922 (January); Academy History, 1924-1925  
 O. B. GERIG, History, 1920-1921  
 J. C. SLOAN, Education, 1920-1921  
 MARY E. HOOLEY, Assistant in English, 1920-1924; English, 1926-1934  
 MARIE S. WOLLMAN, Assistant in German and Dean of Women, 1920-1921  
 MARGARET DETTWEILER, Home Economics, 1920-1921  
 L. J. TIAHRT, Assistant in Science and Mathematics, 1920-1921  
 J. F. MOYER, Biblical Literature and Dean of Men, 1920-1921; Acting Dean of College, 1921-1924; History, 1923-1927; Treasurer, 1927—  
 P. E. FRANTZ (First Semester), J. D. SCHMIDT (Second Semester), History and Philosophy, 1921-1922  
 GORDON BIXEL, Assistant in Science and Physical Director for Men, 1921-1922  
 MRS. OLA RAYMOND, Home Economics, 1921-1922  
 J. E. LINSCHIED, English, 1921—  
 MRS. J. E. LINSCHIED, Bookkeeping, 1921-1922  
 J. M. SUDERMAN, Biblical Literature, 1921-1927; Business Manager and Dean of Men, 1926-1927  
 ELIZABETH PENNER, Drawing, 1921-1922  
 HAZEL McALLISTER, French, Spanish, and Director of Athletics for Women, 1921-1929  
 ELIZABETH LINSCHIED, German and Dean of Women, 1921-1925  
 C. HENRY SMITH, History, 1922-1923  
 CAROL KNOTSMAN, Home Economics, 1922-1924  
 D. E. HARDER, Philosophy and Religion, 1922-1925  
 J. O. KESSELRING, Voice, 1922-1924  
 G. A. HAURY, Jr., English, Latin, and Physical Director for Men, 1922-1928  
 E. B. WEDEL, Assistant in Science and Mathematics, 1922-1925; Principal of Academy and Instructor in Mathematics, 1925-1926  
 IRMA HAURY, English and History, 1922-1927  
 DEAN SANDS, Violin and Director of Orchestra, 1922-1924  
 L. L. REDMOND, Social Science, 1923-1925  
 W. H. HOHMANN, Piano and Theory, 1923—  
 ABRAHAM WARKENTIN, Assistant in German and Bible, 1924-1925; German and Bible, 1925—  
 D. S. PANKRATZ, Assistant in Science, 1924-1925  
 JOHN THUT, Voice, 1924-1927  
 ELSIE M. ESTER, Home Economics, 1924-1929  
 AILEEN WOODBURY, Fine Arts, 1924-1925  
 DUFF MIDDLETON, Violin and Director of Orchestra, 1924-1929  
 ABRAHAM P. FRIESEN, Professor of Physics, 1925—  
 JOHN J. VOTH, Bible and Science, 1925-1927; Bible and Manual Training, 1927-1932; Assistant Professor of Industrial Arts, 1933—  
 JOHN D. EPP, Instructor in Philosophy and Sociology, 1925-1928  
 ARTHUR J. GRABER, Instructor in English, 1925-1930; English and Dean of Men, 1930-1932; Business Manager and Assistant Professor of English, 1932-1933  
 ABRAHAM F. TIESZEN, Instructor in Bible, 1926-1930  
 CHALCEA WHITE, Dean of Women, Home Economics, 1926-1929  
 GUSTAV R. GAEDDERT, History, 1927-1934  
 A. J. REGIER, Director of Teacher Training and Professor of Education, 1927—  
 WALTER M. MILLER, Physical Training, 1928-1929  
 ELSA HAURY, Associate Professor of Music, 1928-1929, 1936—  
 HERSCHEL C. GREGORY, Voice and Public School Music, September, 1927, to January, 1928  
 OLGA HIEBERT, Organ, Assistant in Piano, and Public School Music, 1928-1929  
 ROBERT G. GRONEWALD, Economics and Sociology, 1928-1931  
 MARIAM PENNER (Mrs. Herbert R. Schmidt), French and Spanish, Director of Athletics for Women, 1929-1932; French, 1937—  
 ROSE MARY STUCKY, Home Economics, 1929-1931  
 OTTO D. Unruh, Dean of Men and Instructor in Physical Education, 1929—  
 DOROTHY M. KIES, Instructor in Voice, 1929-1930  
 MARGARET O. STANLEY, Instructor in Piano, 1929-1930  
 J. M. HOFER, History, French and Spanish, 1930-1932  
 WILHELMINA BIXEL (Mrs. Glen Fuller), Organ and Assistant in Piano, 1930-1932, 1934-1939  
 MRS. MAMIE K. PHILLIPS, Assistant Professor of Home Economics, 1929—  
 JOHN B. HEFFELFINGER, Supervisor of Critic Teachers, 1930—  
 MRS. R. D. WILBUR, Violin, 1929—  
 PETER S. GOERTZ, Dean of the College and Professor of Philosophy and Religion, 1930—  
 RUSSEL E. ANDERSON, Voice, 1930-1936  
 MARGARET BARRETT, Home Economics, 1931-1932  
 PETER E. SCHELLENBERG, Professor of Psychology and Director of Testing and Vocational Counseling, 1931—  
 EDMUND G. KAUFMAN, Vice President and Instructor in Sociology, 1931-1932; President and Professor of Sociology, 1932—  
 LEONA KREHBIEL, Librarian, 1932—  
 H. W. LOHRENTZ, Assistant Professor of Biology and Bible, 1932-1934  
 JESSE H. LOGANBILL, Dean of Men and Assistant Professor of Sociology, 1932-1937  
 ELDON L. McCOLLUM, Instructor in Violin, 1933-1934  
 E. L. HARSHBARGER, Professor of History and Speech, 1933—  
 ETHEL M. WILSON, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Economics, 1934-1937  
 A. THEODORE MUELLER, Instructor in Stenography, 1934-1935  
 EDWIN H. KROEGER, Professor of Chemistry and Agriculture, 1934-1937  
 WILLIS E. RICH, Director of Public Relations, 1934-1939  
 LENA WALTNER, Assistant Professor of Art, 1934—  
 CORNELIUS D. PENNER, Dean of Men and Assistant Professor of Economics, 1935-1937  
 IDA RATZLAFF, Assistant Professor of Home Economics (substituting for Mrs. Phillips), first semester of 1935-1936  
 BERNHARD BARGEN, Accountant and Assistant Professor of Commerce, 1935—  
 AMOS E. KREIDER, Professor of Bible and Director of Religious Life, 1935—  
 J. M. REGIER, Field Representative, 1935—  
 HERBERT R. SCHMIDT, College Physician and Health Supervisor, 1935—  
 ELLA M. WIEBE, Dean of Women and Instructor in Physical Education, 1935—  
 LANA A. SHROYER, Supervisor of Student Teaching in Elementary Grades, 1936—  
 ENID SEVERY SMITH, Assistant Professor of English, 1936-1937  
 JESSE N. SMUCKER, Pastor, Bethel College Mennonite Church, 1936—  
 DAVID H. SUDERMAN, Instructor in Music, 1936—  
 SAM J. GOERING, Business Manager, 1936—  
 THELMA DORTHEA REINHARD, Instructor in English and Dramatics, 1937—  
 ROY E. GEETING, Assistant Professor of Economics and Sociology, 1937—  
 CORNELIUS KRAHN, Assistant Professor of German, 1937-1938  
 LEONARD C. KREIDER, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, 1937—  
 HARRY MARTENS, Director of Student Office, 1937—  
 SISTER FRIEDA KAUFMAN, Associate in Deaconess Work, 1937—  
 HELEN MORGAN, Assistant in Physical Education, 1937—  
 MRS. FERDINAND VOTH, Assistant in Music, 1937—





## CLASSES AND CURRICULUM







# YESTERDAY -- GRADUATING CLASSES

## CLASS OF 1897

Otto Lichti

Henry A. Bachmann

Jacob B. Epp

Peter A. Penner



## CLASS OF 1901

Henry Riesen

Dora C. Haury

Jacob A. Becker

Emma E. Goerz

Elizabeth B. Baumgartner



## CLASS OF 1898

Emma Krehbiel

Anna S. Hirschler

Henry V. Wiebe

Samuel D. Haury

Peter R. Voth

Mary A. Wirkler



## CLASS OF 1902

Daniel J. Brand

Lida T. Spangler

Mary M. Wedel

Peter H. Unruh

Jacob Gerbrandt

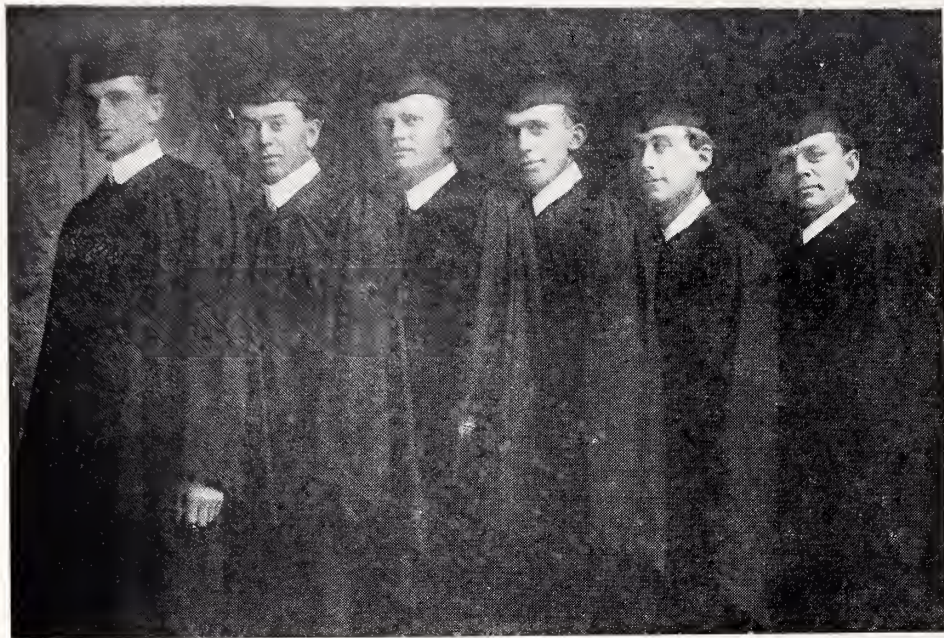
Henry H. Adrian

John H. Epp

Elma E. Ruth



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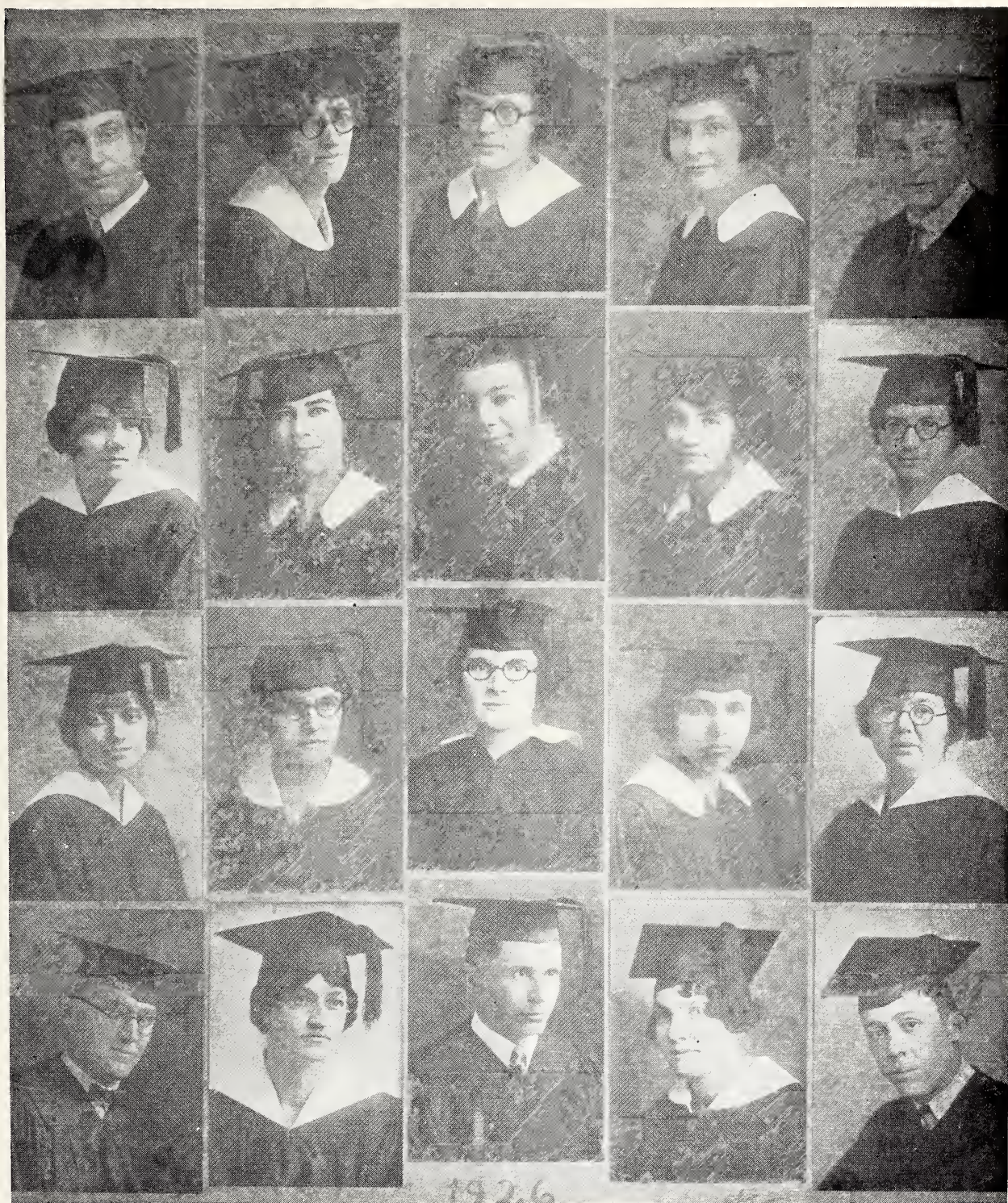
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Academy  
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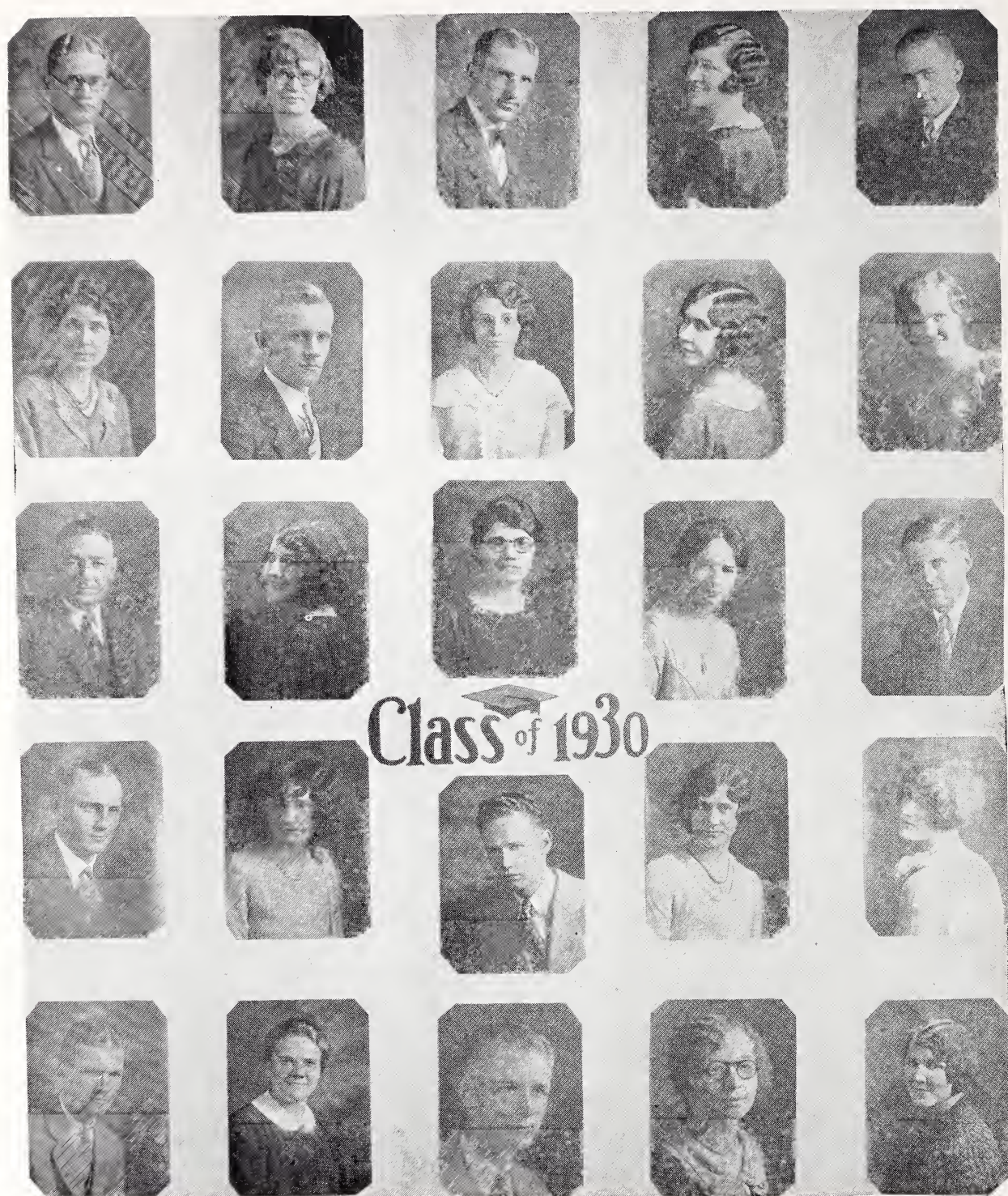
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Class of 1926



## YESTERDAY -- GRADUATING CLASSES



Class of 1930



# TODAY -- CLASS OF '37



Glenn Stevenson

Parsons

## CHEMISTRY—BIOLOGY

Chemistry Seminar (Officer, President); Delta Sigma (Officer); German Club; Student Council (President); Football (Co-captain); Basketball; Track; President of Letter Club; Editor of Graymaroon; Class Honor Roll; Order of Golden A; Class Officer, President; Representative Boy Student; Who's Who Among Students; Chosen Candidate for Rhodes Scholarship; "The Enemy"

Marianna Ensiz

Visalia, California

## ENGLISH

Visalia Junior College; Editor of Collegian; Class Officer; International Relations Club; S. C. M.; Kneza Club; Order of Golden A

Erna Penner

Ludell

## HISTORY

Class Officer; International Relations Club; Y. W. C. A. (Cabinet); S. C. M.; Delta Sigma; Kneza Club

Ervin Albrecht

Kingman

## SOCIOLOGY

Southwestern University; German Club; Student Volunteers (Officer)

Anna Andrews

Portland, Oregon

## ENGLISH

Alpha Psi Omega (Officer); President of Goetz Hall; Basketball; International Relations Club; Kneza Club; News Club; German Club; S. C. M.; Chemistry Club; A Cappella Choir; Choir Tour

Marie Baergen

Buhler

## PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC

German Club; Music Club; A Cappella Choir

Alfred Berg

Hillsboro

## ENGLISH

Tabor College; Linotype Operator; Track; German Club; Science Club; Student Volunteers

Frank Buhler

Deer Creek, Oklahoma

## HISTORY

Letter Club (Officer); Delta Sigma; Football

James Clark

Hutchinson

## PSYCHOLOGY

Hutchinson Junior College; Basketball; Track; Delta Sigma; S. C. M.; Letter Club

Pearlie Mae Dix

Newton

## BIOLOGY

Kneza Club; Y. W. C. A.; S. C. M.; International Relations Club



## TODAY -- CLASS OF '37



Walter E. Ewert Marion, South Dakota

### ENGLISH—ECONOMICS

Freeman Junlor College; University of South Dakota (Summer); International Relations Club; S. C. M.; News Club; Debate; Director of Bethel College News Service

Dorothea Franzen Hillsboro

### BIOLOGY

Tabor College; S. C. M.; Biology Semlnar; German Club (Officer); Orchestra

Ella Goering Moundridge

### HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics Club; Knega Club; German Club

Harold Gross Marion, South Dakota

### PHILOSOPHY

Freeman Junlor College; Y. M. C. A. (President); S. C. M.; Student Volunteers (President); International Relations Club; Alpha Psi Omega; College Quartet; Chorus; Basketball; Track; "The Tinker," "The Enemy," "Passing of Third Floor Back," "Servant in the House"; Order of the Golden A

Lucille Hupp Newton

### MUSIC—EDUCATION

News Club; Knega Club; Y. W. C. A.; S. C. M.; A Cappella Choir; Accompanist, Song Festival

Verna Kaufman Moundridge

### MUSIC

Y. W. C. A. (Cabinet); S. C. M.; Band; Orchestra; German Club; A Cappella Choir; Accompanist, "Seven Last Words," "Messiah," and Song Festival

Peggy Patton Walton

### MUSIC

Emporia Teachers College; Delta Sigma Epsilon Sorority (Officer); Splash Club (Swimming); Sphinx Club; Omega Literary Society; Glrls Glee Club; A Cappella Choir

Martha Penner Mountain Lake, Minnesota

### MUSIC

A Cappella Choir (Soprano Soloist); "Seven Last Words" (Soloist); "St. Cecelia Mass"; Rhythmettes; Basketball; Tennis; Alpha Psi Omega; Home Economics Club; "The Enemy," "Let My People Go"; Who's Who Among Students

Willard Peters Lehigh

### BIOLOGY

Delbert Preheim Freeman, South Dakota

### BIOLOGY

Freeman Junlor College; German Club; Delta Sigma; A Cappella Choir



## TODAY -- CLASS OF '37



Mary Quiring

HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics Club; Biology Seminar; S. C. M.

Goessel

Harold Ratzlaff

BIOLOGY

Phillips University (Summer); S. C. M.; Biology Seminar; A Cappella Choir

Meno, Oklahoma

Linda Ratzlaff

ENGLISH

Y. W. C. A.; S. C. M.; German Club; Home Economics Club; Knege Club; A Cappella Choir

Fairview, Oklahoma

Herold Regier

BIOLOGY

Football; Delta Sigma; S. C. M.; "The Enemy"

Reedley, California

Ruth I. Regier

MUSIC

A Cappella Choir; Rhythmettes; Home Economics Club; Y. W. C. A.; S. C. M.; Knitting Club

Newton

Theodore Regier

PSYCHOLOGY

Delegate to K. P. A. C. at Wichita; Delta Sigma; S. C. M.; Alpha Psi Omega; Oratory; "The Enemy"

Elbing

Winifred M. Regier

PSYCHOLOGY

Reedley Junior College; Science Club; Home Economics Club; S. C. M.; Speech Club; Chorus

North Newton

Ralph Schrag

INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Y. M. C. A. (Cabinet); S. C. M.; Student Volunteers; German Club; Football, Track (Captain), Baseball; Delta Sigma; International Relations Club (Officer); Letter Club (Officer); A Cappella Choir; Graymaroon Staff; "The Enemy"

Kingman

Paul Tschetter

ENGLISH

Freeman Junior College; News Club; Editor of Collegian; Speech Club; International Relations Club; German Club; S. C. M.

Pretty Prairie

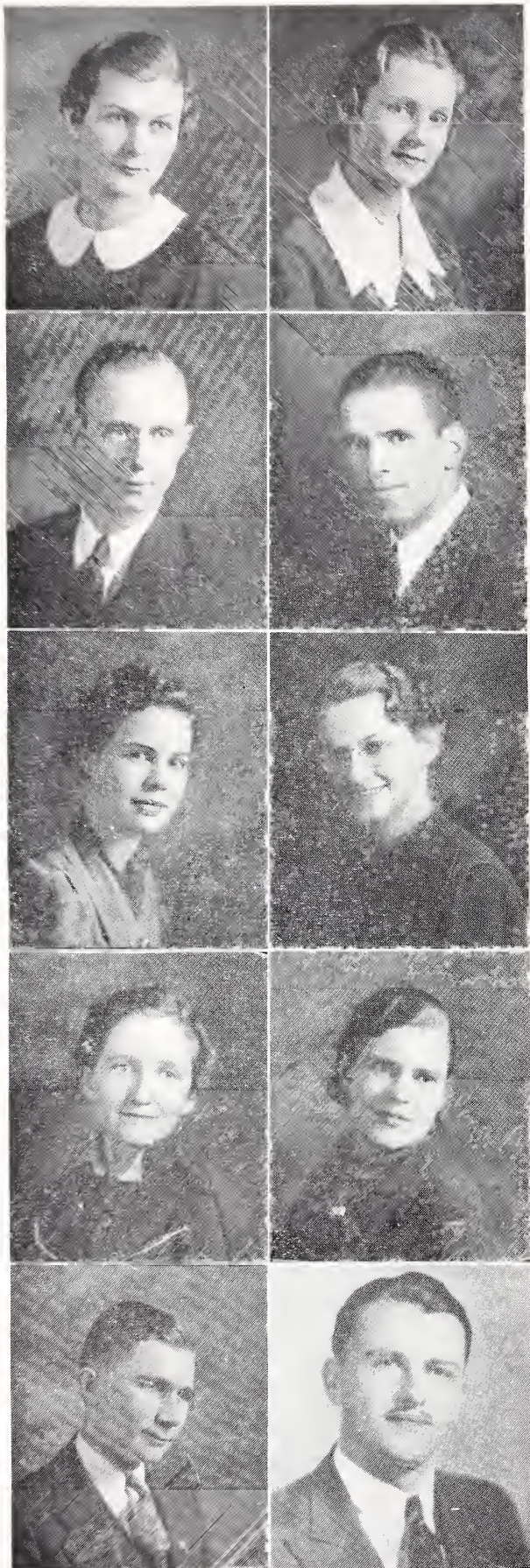
Earl Unruh

Bluffton, Ohio

Football, Basketball, Track, Tennis; Delta Sigma; S. C. M.; A Cappella Choir



# TODAY -- CLASS OF '37



Ruth Unruh HOME ECONOMICS Newton  
Home Economics Club; Art Club

Sue Unruh HOME ECONOMICS Newton  
Home Economics Club (President); Speech Club; S. C. M.; Alpha Psi Omega; Assistant Director of "The Enemy"

Waldo O. Voth INDUSTRIAL ARTS Canton  
Football, Track; Delta Sigma; S. C. M. (Cabinet)

Everett Wenger Reading, Minnesota  
CHEMISTRY—PHYSICS—MATHEMATICS  
International Relations Club (Officer); Delta Sigma; S. C. M. (Officer); Order of Golden A

Helen Whitwam HISTORY Larned  
Friends University; Southwestern College; Wichita University; Home Economics Club; Pep Club; Y. W. C. A.; Singing Quaker Chorus; "Doctor Faustus"

Elizabeth Wiebe Beatrice, Nebraska  
PSYCHOLOGY  
Swimming; S. C. M. (Officer); Student Volunteers; A Cappella Choir

Hilda Wiebe Beatrice, Nebraska  
PSYCHOLOGY  
International Relations Club; S. C. M.; German Club (President); Debate

Agnes Mieka Wiens Newton  
HISTORY  
Woodstock College, Mussoorie, U. P., India; President of Ladies Dormitory; International Relations Club (President); S. C. M.; "The Enemy"

Harry Martens Buhler  
HISTORY  
S. C. M. (President); International Relations Club (President); Debate; Representative, State Peace Oratorical Contest; A Cappella Choir; Who's Who Among Students

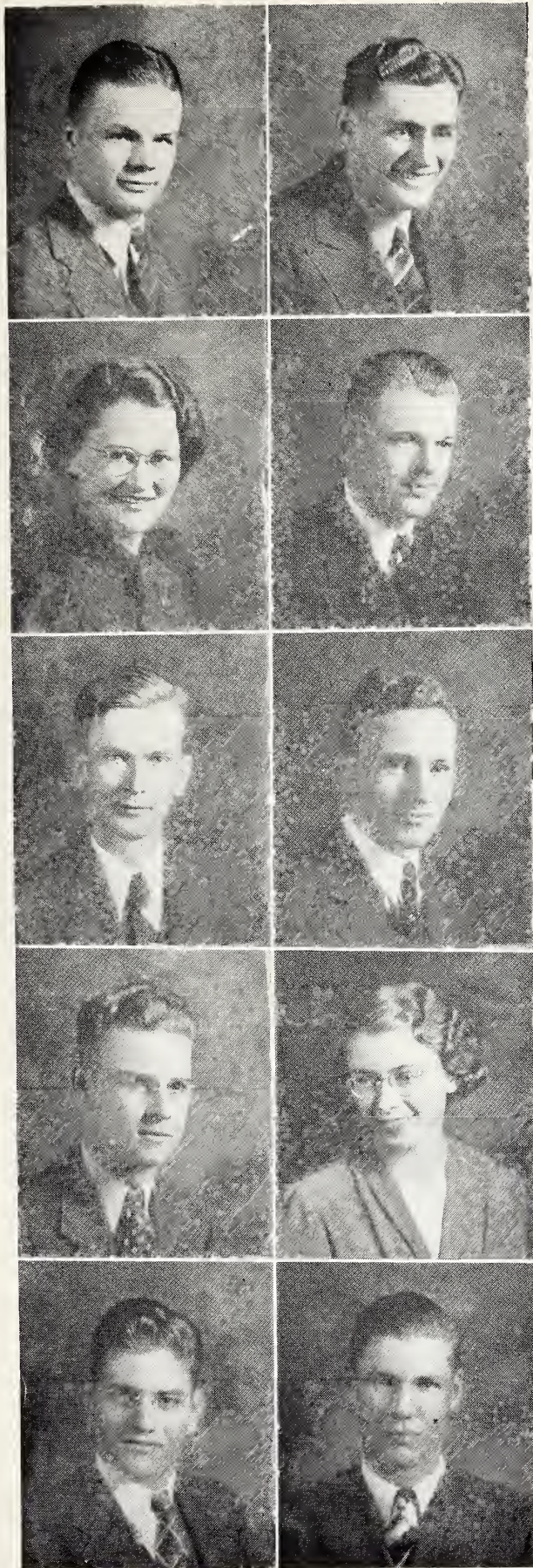
Clarence Graber Marion, South Dakota  
PHYSICS  
Freeman Junior College; South Dakota University (Summer); Baseball, Basketball, Football; Glee Club; Boys Quartet; Y. M. C. A.; S. C. M.; Delta Sigma

## NOT ON PANEL—

Clyde Coulson	Newton
William Dick	Newton
Paul Hall	Hutchinson
Jacob H. Schroeder	Goessel
Earl Wagner	Newton
Hazel D. Whitwam	Larned
Fred Yust	Sylvia



## TODAY -- CLASS OF '38



Paul Zerger

Moundridge

### PHYSICS

Football 1, 3, 4; Letter Club 4; Class President 2, 4; Delta Sigma 3, 4 (Officer 4); Student Council 2; German Club 1, 2; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; (Cabinet 2); Who's Who Among Students 4

John O. Schrag

Moundridge

### INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Football 1, 2, 3, 4 (Co-Captain 4); Basketball 3; President, Letter Club 4; German Club 1; Literary Club 4; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 4; Officer, Student Council 4; A Cappella Choir 1, 2; Graymaroon Staff 4; Who's Who Among Students 4; "Let My People Go," "The Unexpected Guest," "The Melting Pot"

Lois Kliever

Salem, Oregon

### ENGLISH

President, Literary Club 4; Officer, Delta Sigma 2; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Kneza Club 1, 2; News Club 2; Class Officer 4; Collegian Staff 1, 2, 4; Student Council 2, 3; Graymaroon Staff 2; Attendant to Homecoming Queen 3, 4; Who's Who Among Students 4; "The Unexpected Guest," "The Melting Pot"

Edward Voth

Buhler

### PHYSICS

Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4; "The Unexpected Guest"

Paul Baehr

Newton

### MUSIC

A Cappella Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4

Karl Baehr

Newton

### HISTORY

Officer, International Relations Club 2; President, Speech Club 2; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 3, Officer 4); Student Council 3, 4 (President 4); Collegian Staff 4; Debate 1, 2, 3, 4; Winner of State Peace Oratorical Contest 3; Honor Roll 2, 3, 4; Order of Golden A

Arthur Balzer

Whitewater

### MATHEMATICS

Football 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; German Club 2, 3; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; President, 4-H Club; Delta Sigma 3, 4 (Officer 4)

Ruby Balzer

Buhler

### HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4 (Officer 3, 4); S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; German Club 1; Kneza Club 2; Delta Sigma 3; A Cappella Choir 1, 2, 3

Arnold Buhler

Deer Creek, Oklahoma

### INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Industrial Arts Seminar 3, 4; Delta Sigma 3; A Cappella Choir 1, 2; "The Unexpected Guest," "The Melting Pot"

Eldon Dirks

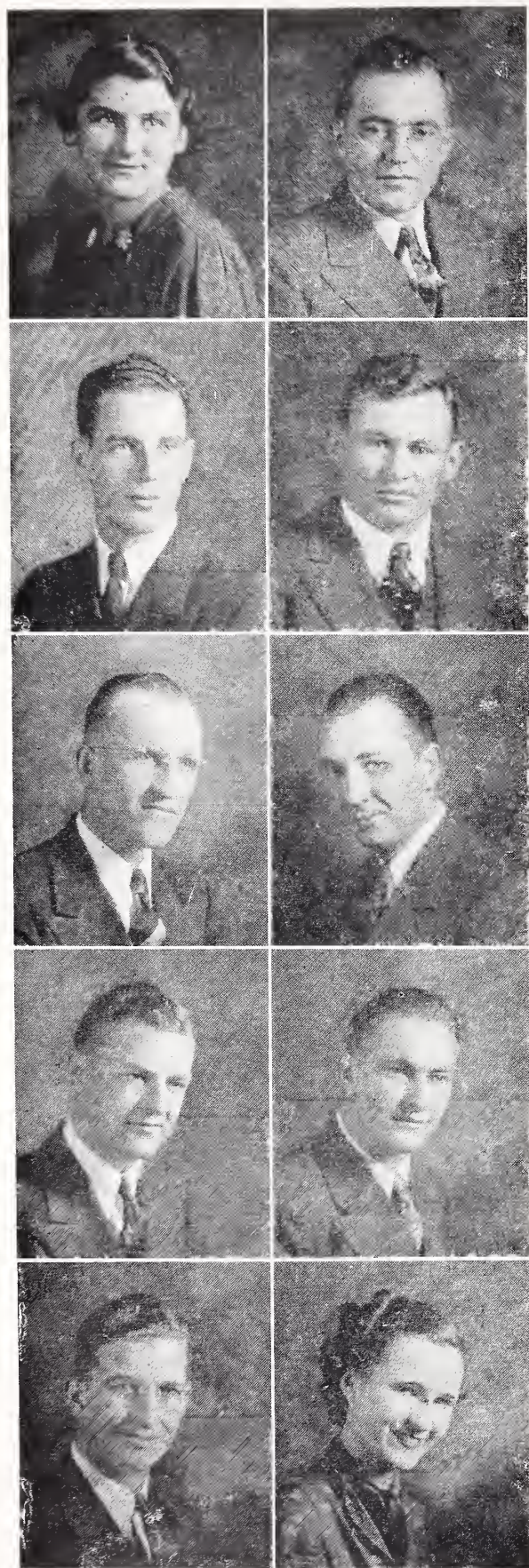
Pawnee Rock

### BIOLOGY

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4; International Relations Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Biology Seminar 2



# TODAY -- CLASS OF '38



Edith Entz

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4

MUSIC

Newton

Dan Epp

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 1, 2, 4); Student Volunteers 1; German Club 1; Speech Club 1; Delta Sigma 3; Graymaroon Staff 4

INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Henderson, Nebraska

Morris Flory

President, Alpha Psi Omega 4; Speech Club 2, 3; S. C. M. 2; All-School Play 1, 2, 3; A Cappella Choir 1, 2, 3; Choir Tour 1, 3

PHYSICS

Halstead

Arthur Friesen

Reedley Junior College 1; Bluffton College 2, 3; Track 2, 3, 4; Literary Club 2; Student Volunteers 3, 4; S. C. M. 3; German Club 4; "Ista" Staff 3; "We Americans"

BIBLE

Reedley, California

Edwin Gaede

Officer, German Club 2, 3; 4-H Club 2; Rural Life Club 2; S. C. M. 2, 4

BIOLOGY

Hillsboro

Norton Goertz

BIOLOGY

Hillsboro

J. Richard Goertz

Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4 (Officer 4); German Club 1; Mathematics and Physics Seminar 4; Chemistry Seminar 3, 4 (President 4); Collegian Staff; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3; A Cappella Choir 2, 3, 4; Choir Tour 3

CHEMISTRY

Beatrice, Nebraska

Eldon Graber

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 1); Editor, Graymaroon 3, 4; President, News Club 1; Officer, Forensic Chapter 4; Collegian Staff 1, 3; Delta Sigma 3, 4; Speech Club 1, 2; Debate 1, 2, 3, 4; Oratory 2; Student Legislative Assembly 3, 4; Class Officer 3; Class Honor Roll 1, 3

CHEMISTRY

Pretty Prairie

Marden Habegger

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 4); Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4; International Relations Club 2, 3; Speech Club 1, 2; Literary Club 1, 2; Winner of Local Peace Oratory Contest 2; Debate 2; "The Unexpected Guest"

CHEMISTRY-BIOLOGY

Busby, Montana

Ruth Haury

Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4 (Officer 3, President 4); S. C. M. 1, 2, 3; Kneka Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1; German Club 2; Doxies 4; Art Club 1; Homecoming Queen 3

HOME ECONOMICS

Halstead



## TODAY -- CLASS OF '38



Helen Isaac

Glendale, California

### ENGLISH

International Relations Club 3; Doxies 4; A Cappella Choir 3; "The Unexpected Guest"



Galen R. Koehn

Pawnee Rock

### INDUSTRIAL ARTS

Officer, Industrial Arts Seminar 4; Dramatics Club; German Club 2; Delta Sigma 3; S. C. M. 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 3, 4); "Let My People Go," "The Melting Pot"



Rhea Krehbiel

Newton

### ENGLISH

Emporia Teachers College 2; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 2); Band 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2; Literary Club 3, 4; German Club 3, 4; News Club 2; Winnestasky Trografly Club 2



Thelma Ellen Krehbiel

Moundridge

### PSYCHOLOGY

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Knege Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 2); Home Economics Club 3, 4 (Officer 3); Officer, Art Club 2; Estes Club 2, 3 (Officer 2); Knitting Club 3; Collegian Staff 2, 3, 4; Graymaroon Staff 4; Class Officer 1, 2, 3; Class Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; University of Colorado, Summer of 2



Hattie Elta Pettis

El Dorado

### ENGLISH

S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Speech Club 2, 3 (President 2); Knege Club 4; Home Economics Club 4; Knitting Club 2, 3; Women's Debate Team 1, 2, 3; Alpha Psi Omega 2, 3, 4 (Officer 3); Class Officer 1; Class Honor Roll 1, 3, 4; Who's Who Among Students 3, 4; Homecoming Queen 4; "Welcome Stranger," "Paula Goes Modern," "The Unexpected Guest," "Ghost of a Freshman," "The Melting Pot"

Esther Ratzlaff

Newton

### HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 2, 3; President 4); President, Doxies; Officer, International Relations Club 2; President, Art Club 3; Student Council 3; A Cappella Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; "The Melting Pot"

B. Ruth Regier

Moundridge

### HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4 (President 4); S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Delta Sigma 1; German Club 1, 2; "The Melting Pot"

Frances Regier

North Newton

### HOME ECONOMICS

Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4 (Officer 3, 4); Class Officer 2, 3; Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4 (Officer 2, 3); S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 2, 3); German Club 1; Speech Club 2, 3 (Officer 2); Graymaroon Staff 4; Secretary to the Dean 4; Who's Who Among Students 4; Class Honor Roll 1, 2; "The Unexpected Guest," "Paula Goes Modern," "The Melting Pot"

Eldon Rich

Newton

### ECONOMICS

Columbia University, First Semester of 3; Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 4); S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Graymaroon Staff 4

Louise Richert

Los Angeles, California

### ENGLISH

S.C.M. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Cabinet 4); Student Volunteers 3, 4 (Officer 4); Knege Club 3; Collegian Staff 3



## TODAY -- CLASS OF '38



Ruth Roth

Whitewater

### MUSIC

A Cappella Choir 1, 2, 3, 4 (Alto Soloist 2, 3, 4); Girls Quartet 2; Girls Trio 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2; Home Economics Club 3, 4 (Officer 4); Art Club 1, 2; Knitting Club 2, 3; S. C. M. 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Volunteers 1; News Club 1

Samuel Staley

Bentley

### BIBLE—PHILOSOPHY

Edwin Suderman

Hillsboro

### MUSIC

Football 4; Basketball 2, 3; Track 2, 3; A Cappella Choir 2, 3, 4; Men's Quartet 2, 3; S. C. M. 2, 3, 4; German Club 1

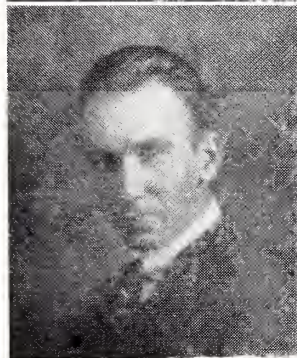


Thomas F. Walker

Newton

### HISTORY

Football 1, 2, 4; Letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (President, Alumni Letter Club 4); International Relations Club 2; Y. M. C. A. 1; Debate 1, 2, 4; Peace Oratory 1; Collegian Staff 4



Mary K. Woodworth

Halstead

### HOME ECONOMICS

Marymount College 1; Home Economics Club 3, 4 (Officer 3); S. C. M. 2, 3, 4; W. A. A. 1; Alpha Beta Rho 1; Chemistry Club 1; Glee Club 1; Class Honor Roll 1, 3

Arthur Waltner

Moundridge

Orlando Waltner

Freeman, South Dakota

### PHYSICS

German Club 2, 3; Radio Club 2, 3, 4 (Officer 4); Delta Sigma 1, 2, 3, 4

### BIOLOGY

Freeman Junior College 1, 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; S. C. M. 3, 4; Student Volunteers 3, 4 (Officer 3, President 4); Biology Seminar 1, 2, 3, 4; "Passing of the Third Floor Back," "The Melting Pot"

NOT ON PANEL—

Katie Andres

Newton

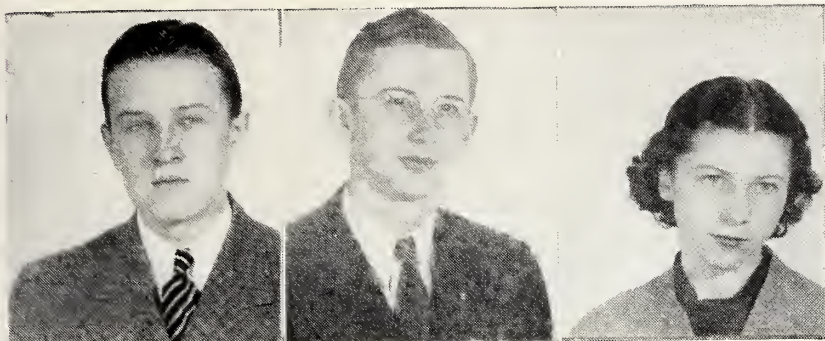
## Honorary Degrees Conferred at Bethel College, June 2, 1938



Rev. A. H. Unruh, Winkler, Manitoba, Canada, Doctor of Divinity; Rev. David Toews, Rosthern, Saskatchewan, Canada, Doctor of Divinity; Pres. E. G. Kaufman, who conferred the degrees; Honorable Walter A. Huxman, Governor of Kansas, Doctor of Laws; Rev. P. H. Richert, Goessel, Kansas, Doctor of Divinity.



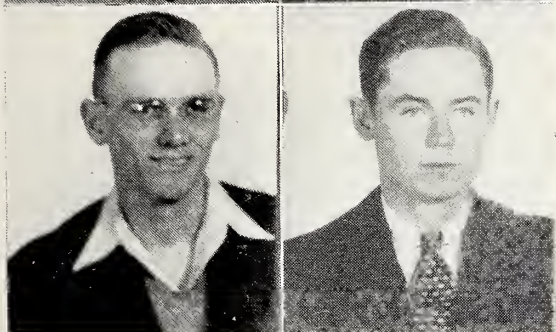
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Robert Kreider, North Newton

Robert B. Regier, North Newton

Melba E. Kliever, Newton

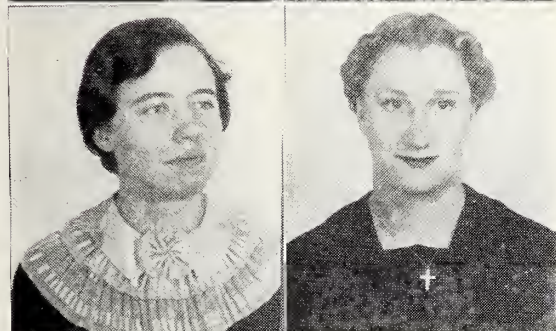


Glenn V. Becker, Indianhoma, Oklahoma

Waldo Brandt, Mountain View,  
Oklahoma

Carl Friesen, Hillsboro

Eric Friesen, North Newton



Marie Dyck, Elbing

Mildred Dyck, Halstead

Lucille H. Friesen, Furley

Maurice Gephardt, Breckenridge,  
Oklahoma

Anne Ruth Ediger, Clinton, Oklahoma

Wanda Ruth Epp, Henderson,  
Nebraska



Mildred Gerbrand, Buhler

Joe Goering, Galva

Ruth Ewert, Newton

Herbert H. Franz, Goessel



Glen Fuller, North Newton

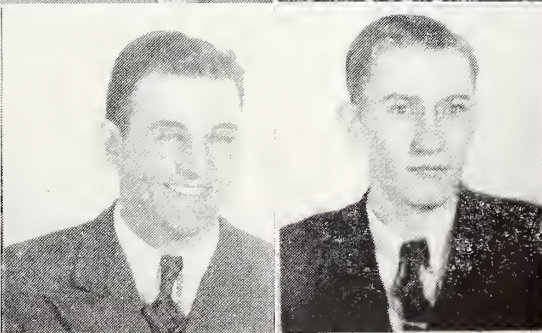
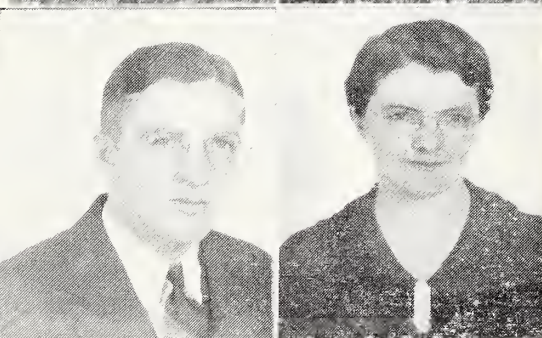
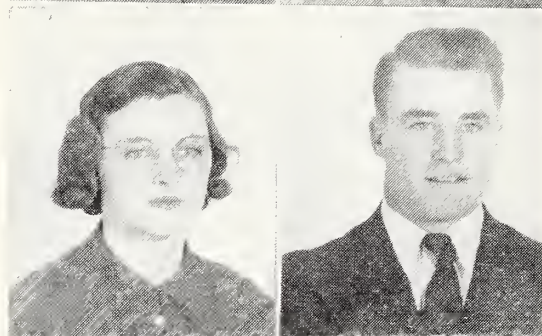
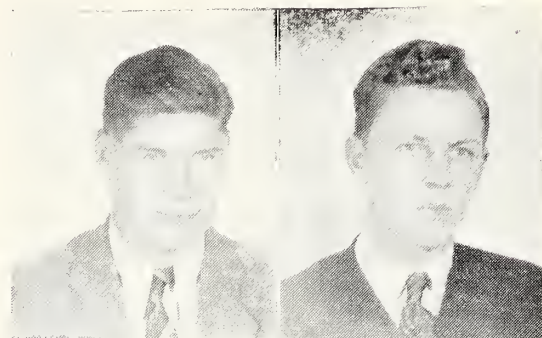
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Viola Graber, Marion, South Dakota

Milford Heidebrecht, Nowata, Oklahoma

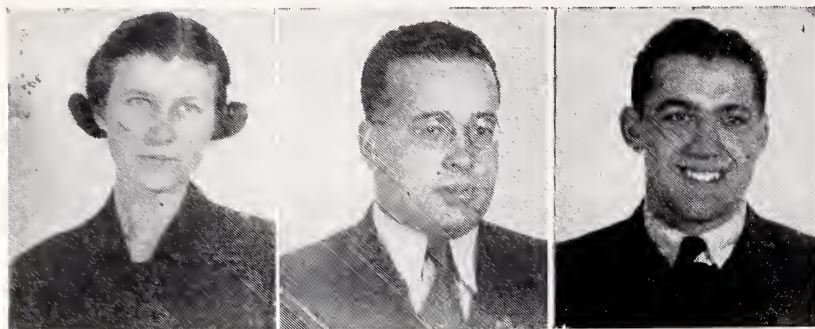
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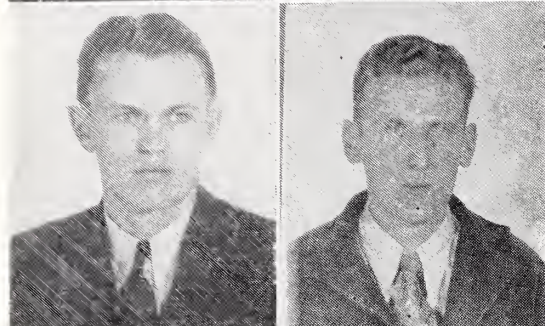




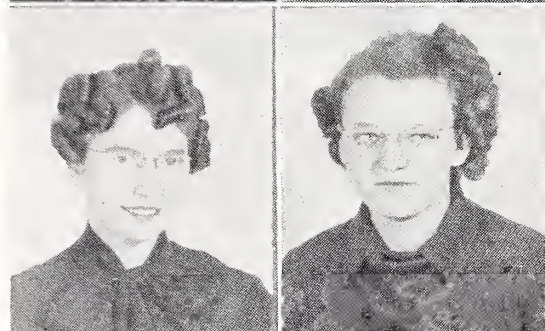
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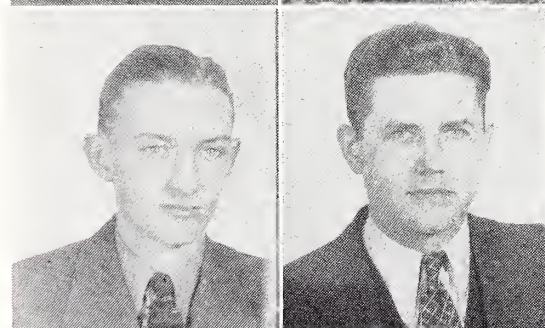
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Aldace S. Mercomes, Newton  
George Musselman, Hillsboro



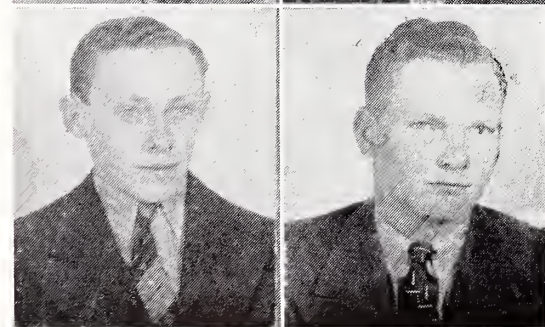
Franklin B. Pauls, Lehigh  
Orville Penner, Ludell



Annabelle Saylor, Burrton  
Pauline Schmidt, Newton



Ruth Penner, Clinton, Oklahoma  
Margaret J. Regier, North Newton



Robert Schmidt, Pawnee Rock  
Hulda Schroeder, Newton

Max W. Regier, North Newton  
Sam Richert, Newton

Edward Schrag, Pretty Prairie  
Cleo Smith, Larned

John Rouse, Newton  
Kenneth Rupp, Moundridge

Jack L. Smith,  
Newton

Wilma Toews,  
Hillsboro

Wilbur Unruh,  
Inman

Delpha Waltner, Marion, South Dakota  
Agnes Wedel, McPherson  
Darrell Mayer, Newton

NOT ON PANEL— Albert Bair, Newton  
Glenn McMurry, Hanston  
Aaron K. Schmidt, Newton





## TODAY -- SOPHOMORES, CLASS OF '40



**Top Row:**

Elmer M. Ediger, Buhler; Lander L. Claassen, Newton; Gertrude Dirks, Aberdeen, Idaho; Dorothy L. Albright, Pretty Prairie; Herbert J. Baehr, Newton; Anton Banman, Newton; Sam Barkman, Berne, Indiana; Roland Bartel, Hillsboro; Ben Boese, Canton.

**Second Row:**

Edward Buller, Inman; Leonard Buller, Newton; Victor Buller, Mountain Lake, Minnesota; Wayne Catlin, Kingman; Maurine Chambers, Newton; Richard Dick, Buhler; Richard Dreyer, Newton; Agnetha Duerksen, Hillsboro; Elma Duerksen, Buhler.

**Third Row:**

Lucile Enz, Newton; Elma Esau, Whitewater; Martha Eck, Newton; Rev. August Ewert, Newton; Martha M. Friesen, North Newton; Ronald Peter Funk, Aberdeen, Idaho; Richard Galle, Moundridge; Willard Gaeddert, North Newton; Gilbert Galle, Moundridge.

**Fourth Row:**

Thelma Garr, Newton; Helen V. Goering, Moundridge; Mary Ann Goering, Moundridge; Mary Ethel Goering, Moundridge; Orlo Goering, Moundridge; Jacob Goering, Newton; Ella Graber, Pretty Prairie; Ruth Graber Moundridge; Celia Guthrie, Walton.

**Fifth Row:**

Robert S. Guy, Newton; Donald Haury, Halstead; Walter G. Haury, Newton; Sam Hayden, Stafford; Peter Hildebrandt, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada; Elizabeth Hirschler, Halstead; Roy Hoff, Preston; Velma L. Hopping, Florence; Edna Hostetler, Harper.



## TODAY -- SOPHOMORES CLASS OF '40



**Top Row:**

Betty Jane Howerton, Newton; Freda Huebert, Stockham, Nebraska; Amos Jackson, Newton; Evadna Kaufman, Pretty Prairie; Dwight Krehbiel, Newton; Evelyn Krehbiel, Moundridge; Nellie Laird, Newton; Eleanor Lowe, Newton; Esko Lowen, Newton.

**Second Row:**

Peggy McGraw, Newton; Agnes E. Miller, Halstead; Wilson L. Miller, Newton; Hazel Molzen, Newton; Mary Ann Pankratz, Whitewater; Waldo Pankratz, Moundridge; Paul Quiring, Goessel; Frank Rayburn, Newton; Arnold J. Regier, Elbing.

**Third Row:**

Clara Regier, Newton; Esther Regier, Newton; Gertrude Regier, Moundridge; Walter H. Regier, Newton; Waldo Rempel, Hillsboro; Eva Schmidt, Pawnee Rock; Harold Schmidt, Walton; Dorothea Schroeder, Newton; Louise Schroeder, Mountain Lake, Minnesota.

**Fourth Row:**

Ted Shaw, Burrton; Leland M. Shetler, Hesston; Marion J. Shirk, Hesston; Edwin R. Stucky, Moundridge; N. Paul Stucky, Moundridge; Ruth Stucky, Hutchinson; Charles Tubbs, Turon; Earl Tunnell, Newton; Annie D. Unruh, Goessel.

**Fifth Row:**

Avis Unruh, Pawnee Rock; Chester Unruh, Pretty Prairie; Arpa Wedel, Hillsboro; Loran F. Wilkens, Newton; Margaret Woodworth, Halstead; Elsie Zenger, Moundridge; Mildred Zink, Turon; Roberta Watt, Warren, Arizona; Evelyn Wiebe, Aberdeen, Idaho.

**Not on Panel:**

Walter H. Dyck, Burrton; Elbert Koontz, Dearing; Evelyn Koontz, Dearing; Edwin Nickel, Cordell, Oklahoma; Leona Reimer, Newton.



## TODAY -- FRESHMEN, CLASS OF '41



### Top Row:

Charles E. Stevenson, Parsons; Gerald Stucky, Berne, Indiana; Doris Kellenbarger, Newton; Maurine M. Vogt, Moundridge; Myrtle J. Aeschliman, Colfax, Washington; Doris R. Andres, Newton; Virginia Lee Ashbaugh, Newton; Ruth S. Baehr, Newton; John Banman, Newton; Peter Barg, Brooks, Alberta, Canada.

### Second Row:

Lenora V. Bartel, Hillsboro; Lauren Baumgartner, Newton; Genevieve M. Becker, Durham; Dorothy E. Birch, Newton; Alvin Boese, Hillsboro; Ben Briley, Sylvia; Henry Brown, Adams; Helen E. Buhr, Morse, Saskatchewan, Canada; Donald Bumgarner, Attica; Jeanne E. Carley, Burns.

### Third Row:

Howard Quentin Daniel, Newton; Robert Davis, Newton; Willard Derksen, Mountain Lake, Minnesota; Alvin E. Doell, Henderson, Nebraska; Homer D. Doell, North Newton; Chester A. Doles, Jr., Newton; Gertrude Dyck, Elbing; Laurel Dirks, Pawnee Rock; Margaret Eck, Newton; Albertha Ediger, Buhler.

### Fourth Row:

Ernest Ediger, Peabody; Jacob J. Enz, Newton; Carl Epp, Henderson, Nebraska; Selma Fast, Newton; Nick Fent, Newton; Elma E. Franzen, Canton; Vera Friesen, Furley; Melvin V. Gaeddert, Buhler; Samuel Gaeddert, Buhler; Daniel Goering, McPherson.

### Fifth Row:

Erma E. Goering, Moundridge; Milo Goering, Moundridge; Weldon E. Goering, Moundridge; Arthur Goertz, Walton; Davie J. Goertz, Hillsboro; Grayce E. Goertz, Moundridge; Chester Good, Burrton; Ada Mae Gressinger, Halstead; Henry Guhr, Hillsboro; Mary Elizabeth Hammann, Burns.



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**Top Row:**

Frieda Harms, Bessie, Oklahoma; Mary Harshbarger, Millersburg, Ohio; Helen M. Hendry, Newton; Elvina Hiebert, Newton; Martha Hinz, Corn, Oklahoma; Orville L. Horst, Newton; Lloyd H. Jantzen, Okeene, Oklahoma; Waldo Roy Janzen, Walton; Marvin B. Kaufman, Newton; Orlo Kaufman, Moundridge.

**Second Row:**

Viola M. Kaufman, Moundridge; Bonnie Lee Kennedy, Newton; Ruth Klassen, Sedgwick; Turelda H. Kliever, Great Bend; Dean H. Koelling, Newton; Gilmer Krehbiel, McPherson; Clinton C. Koppes, Newton; Gordon Kliever, Salem, Oregon; Ralph Kroeker, Newton; Ralph Kuehny, Deer Creek, Oklahoma.

**Third Row:**

Louise Langenwalter, Gulfport, Mississippi; Roland H. Leisy, Newton; Edith Mae Linscheid, Newton; Marie T. Loepp, Inman; Helen Lohmeyer, Newton; Harold Lowe, Newton; Albert G. Martin, Newton; Herbert Gene Miller, Newton; Myrtle Molzen, Newton; James R. Moore, Newton.

**Fourth Row:**

Allen J. Moyer, Deer Creek, Oklahoma; Ernest Pankratz, Burrton; Ronald Pankratz, Moundridge; Marion Patton, Burns; Edith Mary Peck, Newton; Charlotte M. Penner, Benton; Edison E. Peters, Lehigh; Harold E. Peters, Walton; Arnold L. Pfaffly, White Cloud; Mary Esther Phillips, Lake City.

**Fifth Row:**

Lois M. Pleasant, Merom, Indiana; Everett Potter, Kingman; Paul Renich, Newton; Lillian M. Ratzlaff, Meno, Oklahoma; Ralph K. Ray, Halstead; Elizabeth J. Regier, Newton; James Regier, Hampton, Nebraska; Margaret I. Regier, Whitewater; Verna Grace Regier, Moundridge; Wilbert Regier, Burrton.



## TODAY -- FRESHMEN, CLASS OF '41



**Top Row:**

Edward Reimer, Newton; Ernest M. Reimer, Inman; Rosella Reimer, Medford, Oklahoma; Stella Irene Reimer, Canton; C. B. Ridings, Newton; Irene Roth, Whitewater; Charles Rousell, Newton; Ada K. Ruth, Halstead; Arnold Schmidt, Elbing; Arthur A. Schmidt, Walton.

**Second Row:**

Edna L. Schmidt, Walton; Effie Schmidt, Pawnee Rock; John Schmidt, Jr., Pawnee Rock; Lloyd Schmidt, Newton; Luella D. Schmidt, Walton; Cora Schrag, Newton; Elmer Schrag, Newton; Emil Schrag, Pretty Prairie; Mildred Schrag, Burrton; Orvid Schrag, Moundridge.

**Third Row:**

Allison Schroeder, Newton; Dorothy Schroeder, Larned; Lorraine Schroeder, Mountain Lake, Minnesota; Esther Schwartz, Pretty Prairie; Robert W. Senner, Freeman, South Dakota; Betty Lou Simms, Newton; Ruth Sisk, Lake City; Harley J. Stucky, Moundridge; Phillip H. Stucky, Pretty Prairie; Alton M. Swanson, Newton.

**Fourth Row:**

Menno Thiessen, Inman; Erna Thimm, Beatrice, Nebraska; Richard Tschetter, Pretty Prairie; Arnold Voth, Walton; Hugo E. Voth, Deccan, South India; Mildred A. Voth, North Newton; Alice Waltner, Moundridge; Salina B. Waltner, Hurley, South Dakota; Benjamin Wedel, McPherson; Ruth Wedel, McPherson.

**Fifth Row:**

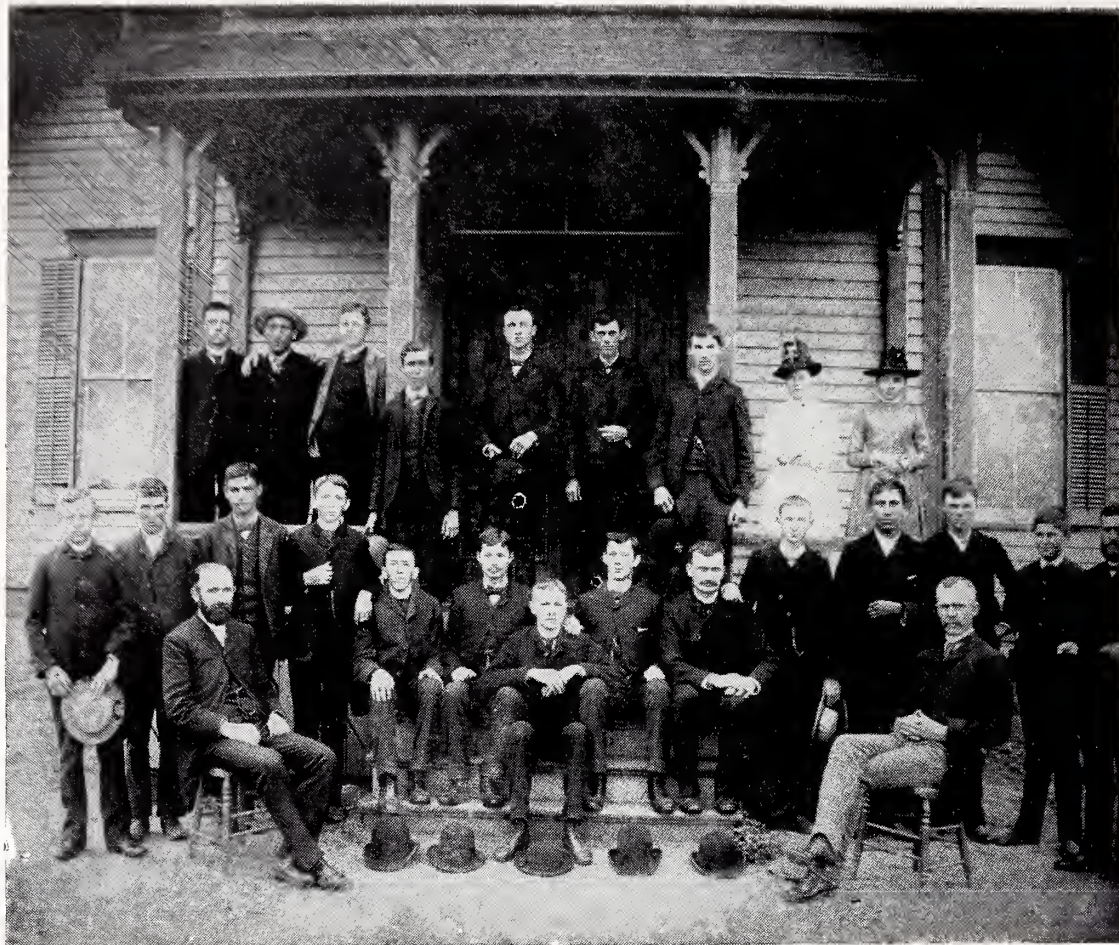
Arthur Wenger, Aberdeen, Idaho; Ferne Westerman, Newton; Austin R. Wiebe, Newton; Elsie H. Wiebe, Beatrice, Nebraska; Richard C. Wiebe, Beatrice, Nebraska; Frieda E. Wiens, Newton; Martha E. Wiens, Newton; Alice Amelia Wright, Walton; Wayne Wagner, Newton; T. Bernice Zuercher, Macksville.

**Not on Panel:**

Roberta Enns, Inman; Mrs. Esther Henry, Newton; Sam Jackson, Newton; Margaret Olson, Newton; Ruthabel E. Rickman, Newton; Hilda Regier, Burrton; Eldon Voth, Newton; Sam Wiens, Newton.



## YESTERDAY -- STUDENT BODY



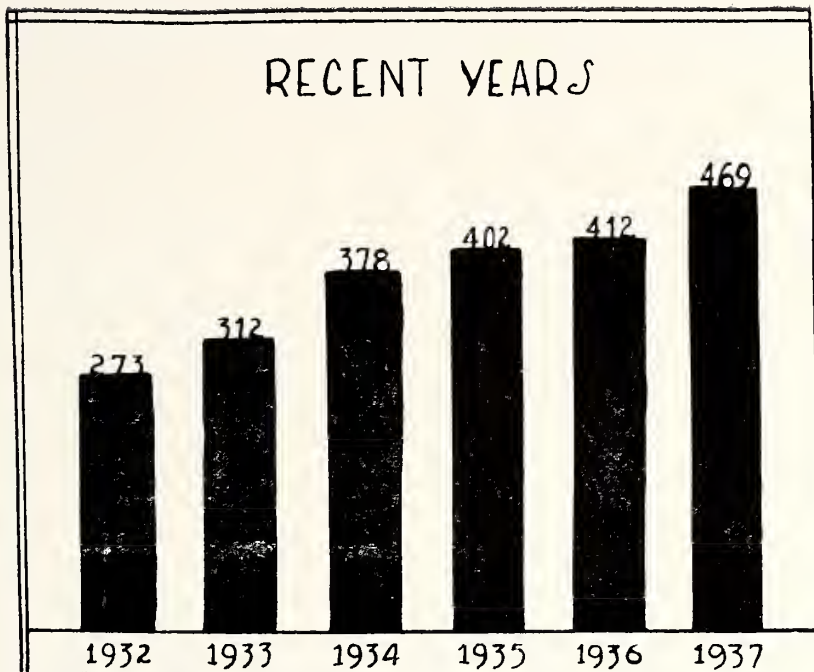
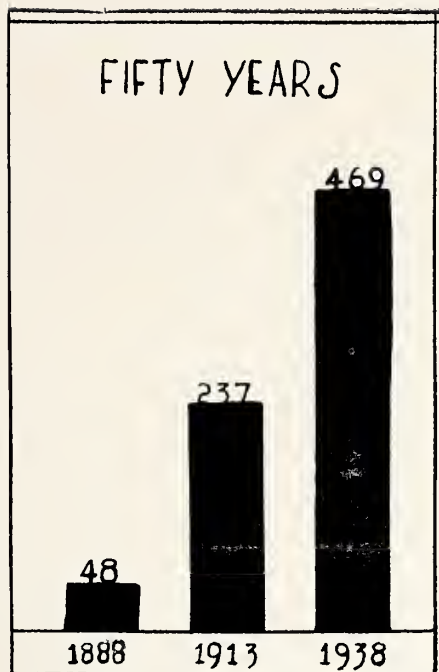
Student Body and Faculty, Halstead Seminary, 1887



Bethel College Student Body, 1917-1918



# TODAY -- STUDENT BODY



Charts Showing Growth of Student Body



Portion of 1937-1938 Student Body



## First Course of Study Offered at the Mennonite Seminary, 1884-1885

### ENGLISH TEACHER'S COURSE

<i>First Year</i>	<i>Second Year</i>
Arithmetic	Physical Geography
Reading	Algebra
Geography	U. S. History
Grammar	German
German	U. S. Constitution
Writing and Drawing	and Kansas School Laws
<i>Third Year</i>	<i>Fourth Year</i>
Physiology	Geometry
Methods of Teaching	English Literature
Practice of Teaching	German Literature
German	Zoology
Natural Philosophy	Trigonometry
Bookkeeping	Chemistry
Rhetoric and Composition	Botany
	Mental Philosophy

### COMMON ENGLISH COURSE

<i>First Year</i>	<i>Second Year</i>
Same as first year of the preceding course	Physical Geography
	Algebra
	U. S. History
	German
	Bookkeeping
	U. S. Constitution
<i>Third Year</i>	<i>Fourth Year</i>
Physiology	Same as fourth year of Teacher's Course
Word Analysis	
General History	
German	
Natural Philosophy	
Rhetoric and Composition	

## Outline of Instruction, 1900-1901

<i>Branch</i>	<i>Number of Courses</i>
Biblical Branches and Church History	10
Philosophy and Pedagogy	6
English	7
German	7
Latin	5
Greek	4
French	3
Mathematics	7
Natural Science	9
History and Political Economy	6
Penmanship and Bookkeeping	3
Miscellaneous Courses	5
Music and Fine Arts	
Elocution	
Physical Culture	
Total	72

## Outline of Courses, 1920-1921

<i>Department</i>	<i>Number of Courses</i>
Biblical Literature	11
English	11
Ancient Languages	6
Modern Languages	8
Mathematics and Astronomy	11
Physical Sciences	5
Biological Sciences	3
History and Social Sciences	10
Education and Philosophy	11
Home Economics	6
Library Methods	1
Music	7
Physical Education	3
Total	93

## Courses of Instruction, 1938-1939

	<i>Number of Courses</i>
Division I. The Social Sciences	
General Introductory Course	1
Bible	10
Commerce and Economics	15
Education	14
History and Government	16
Philosophy	8
Psychology	12
Religious Education	4
Sociology	10
Division II. Natural Sciences	
General Introductory Course	1
Agriculture	4
Astronomy	1
Biology	11
Chemistry	11
Health and Physical Education	13
Home Economics	11
Industrial Arts	15
Mathematics	12
Physics	11
Division III. The Humanities	
General Introductory Course	1
Art	8
English	12
Journalism	1
Speech	6
French	4
German	13
Applied Music	20
Music Theory and History	12
Public School Music	5
Total	262





EXTRA - CURRICULAR  
ACTIVITIES







# YESTERDAY -- FORENSICS

Men's Debate, 1927-1928

Willis E. Rich, Albert J. Penner  
Oratory, 1925

Curt Siemens, Everett Reimer, Clara Taves  
Elizabeth Vaughn, Helen Yergler, Helen Kitch  
Debate, 1929

Joseph Foth, Ernest L. Harms  
Debate, 1911

Debating Council, 1917

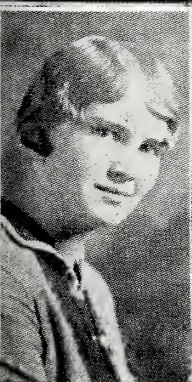
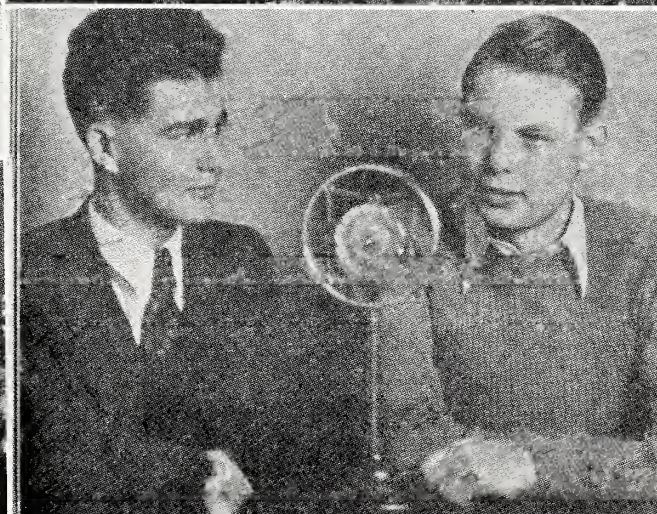
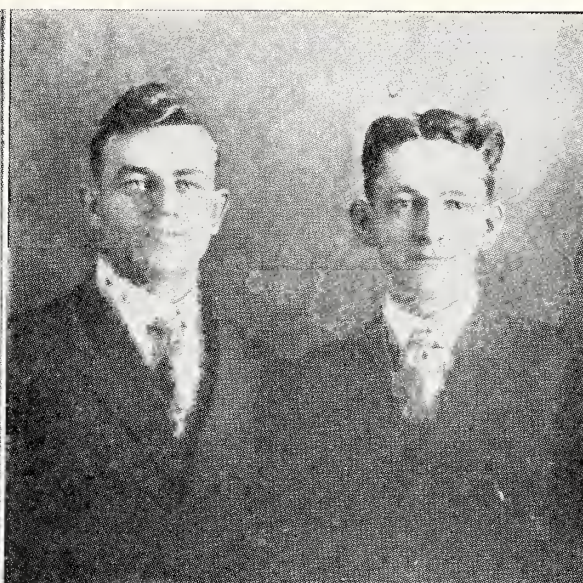
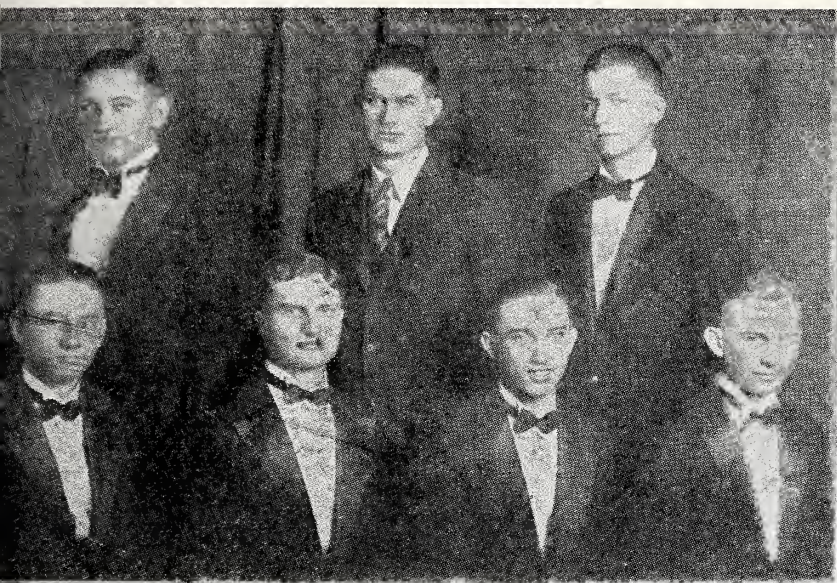
Theodore Voth, Ray Guy  
Debate, 1935

Maurice Benfer  
Oratory, 1917

G. M. Baergen  
Academy Debate, 1916-1917

Fred Wolter, Earl Morgan  
Debate, 1916-1917

J. J. Voth, Hershel Hawley  
Debate, 1916-1917





# YESTERDAY .. FORENSICS

Helen Hagen  
C. D. Voran  
Academy Debate, 1913



Gus Haury  
Dillman Hess  
Academy Debate, 1913

Hazel McAllister  
E. B. Wedel  
J. V. Friesen  
Debate, 1917



Oratorical Union, 1915

C. D. Penner  
Oratory, 1920-1921

Oratorical Union, 1917



John F. Moyer  
Ernest L. Harms  
Walter Niles  
Debate, 1915

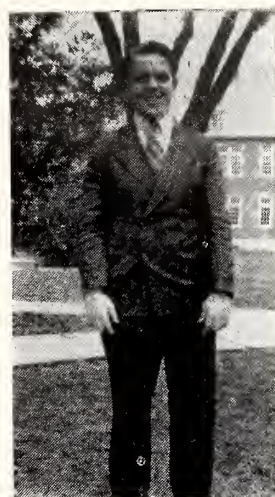






## TODAY -- FORENSICS

*By HATTIE PETTIS*



"Ladies and gentlemen . . ."

Thus have opened approximately 250 debates in which Bethelites have participated during the last two years. Whether these 1,125,000 words uttered have been "wise" or "otherwise," we seem to have captured our quota of the honors.

In 1937 the freshmen "put us all in the shade" by winning the invitational tournament at McPherson. The men followed up by taking second in the Kansas State Debating League. The women won more than fifty per cent of their debates but did not reach the heights of the two years previous—guess what we need is bigger and better women talkers!

Karl Baehr and Eldon Graber made the radio waves sizzle in their debate with Kansas State, and Baehr's and Graber's voices, with the addition of Robert Kreider's, were heard at the State Legislative Assembly in Topeka.

Extemporaneous speaking took an upward bound when Frank Rayburn and Max Regier won a plaque at Hutchinson. Then later at the Pi Kappa Delta Tournament at Hays, Rayburn again captured first honors.

Karl Baehr brought further honor by winning the State Peace Oratorical Contest—the largest in its history—eleven colleges being represented. Karl's oration was also one of the twelve best last year and is being used for declamation purposes in Ohio and Illinois.

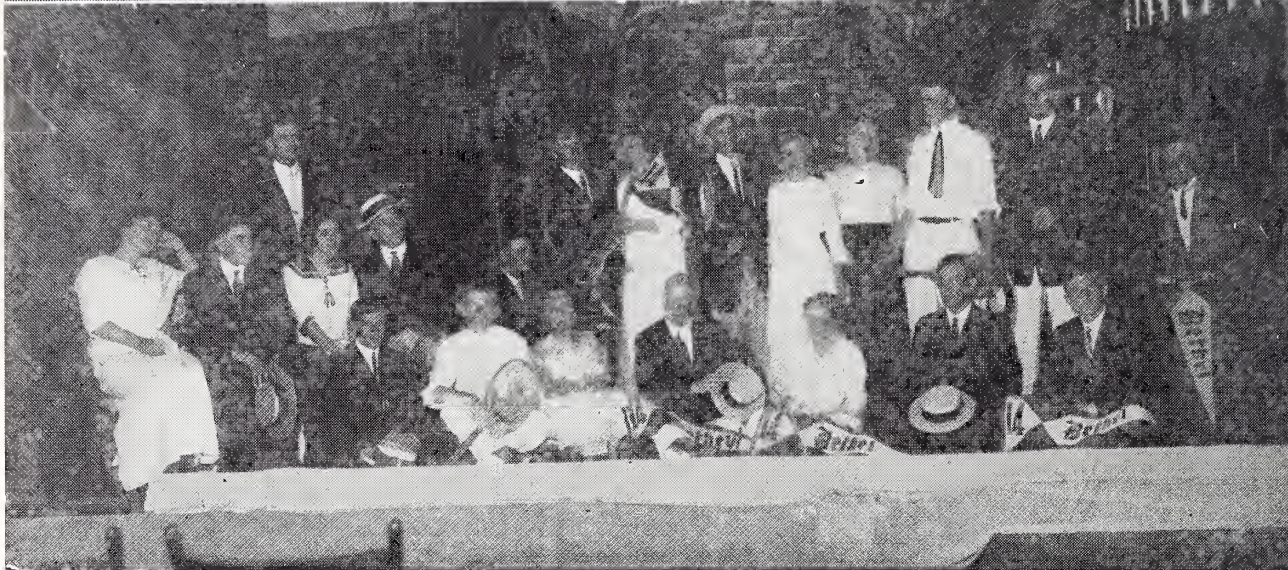
In 1938, Kreider and Baehr (this name Baehr is getting to be a bug—"baer"! ) were undefeated in the Winfield Tournament, having wins over Southern Methodist and other large universities. We were represented at the State Legislative Assembly again, and representatives were also sent to the Pi Kappa Delta National Convention at Topeka to sit in the House of Representatives there.

So we must say "hats off" to Dr. Harshbarger, the coach with the subtle wit but sound logic, and hope he will have as good success next year.



# YESTERDAY — DRAMATICS

Bethel College  
Academy Dramatic  
Productions





# TODAY -- DRAMATICS

By HATTIE PETTIS

"All the world's a stage . . . ."

"The players have their exits and their entrances . . . ." and many new players made their entrances and exists in a group of one-act plays and pantomimes presented the first of last year under the direction of Dr. Enid Smith. Later the junior class set a precedent by putting on a class play of their own. This was entitled "The Unexpected Guest," John Schrag being the unexpected (guest I mean) who surprised his unsuspecting hostess, Hattie Pettis, and captured the attention of her daughter, Frances Regier. The all-school play was a return engagement of "Passing of the Third Floor Back," Morris Flory playing the role of the influential stranger. Last year's seniors presented a powerful play, "The Enemy." "Dramatic" is the characterizing word for this play, with Martha Penner and Harold Gross carrying the leading roles.

This year we are saying "Hats off!" to Miss Thelma Reinhard whose "wim, wigor, and witality" has attracted new talent and interest to the dramatics department. Miss Reinhard's first major production here at Bethel was the junior play, "Attorney for the Defense," starring Margaret Regier, Frank Rayburn, and Robert Kreider. The all-school play, "The Late Christopher Bean" was presented to an enthusiastic audience. The seniors of 1938 presented "The Melting Pot," in which Orlando Waltner, as newcomer to the Thespian ranks, Hattie Pettis, John Schrag, and Galen Koehn, another newcomer, all played stellar roles.



Kreider, Pettis,  
Rayburn, Regier

Gross, Flory,  
Penner, Schrag





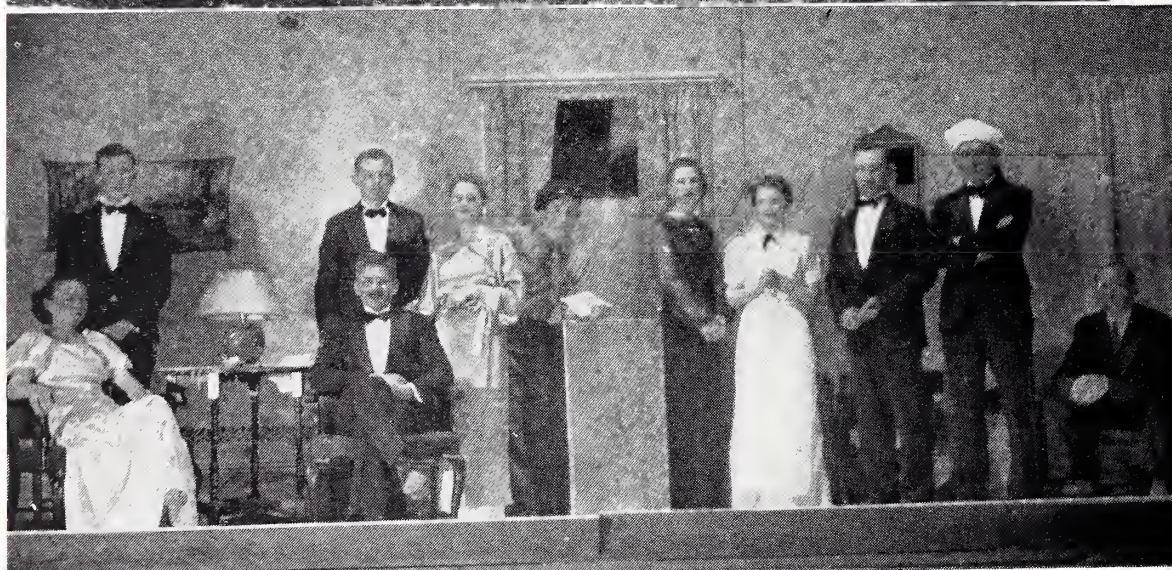
Passing of the  
Third Floor Back

All School Play,  
1937



Attorney For The  
Defense

Junior Play, 1938



"The  
Unexpected  
Guest"

Junior Play,  
1937

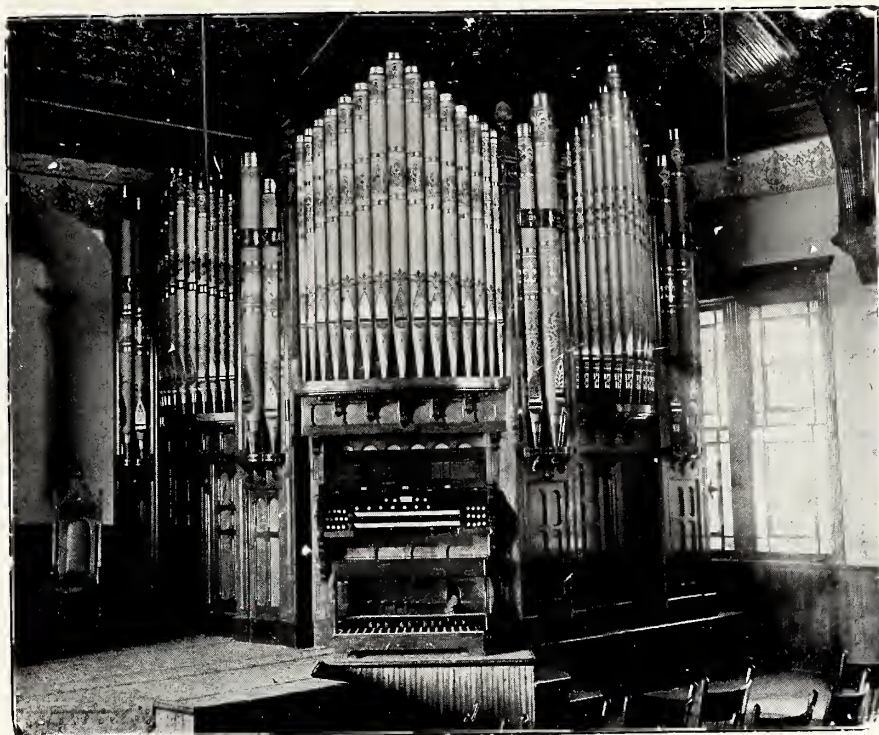


"Utwaundre"

Low - German  
play given in  
the spring of  
1937



## YESTERDAY -- MUSIC



The first organ, installed in 1902

### EIN BETHEL KOLLEGE LIED

Stimmt uns ein Schullied an,  
Das jeder singen kann  
Nach Herzenslust!  
Es muss von Bethel sein;  
Dann stimmen alle ein;  
Dann harmoniert es fein  
Aus voller Brust!

Wir stimmen an mit Kraft  
Ein Lied von Wissenschaft,  
Natur und Kunst!  
Was schoen und wissenswert,  
Was Geist und Seele naehrt,  
Den Sinn nach oben kehrt:  
Hat unsre Gunst.

Hoch leben soll—und lang:  
Fleiss, Treue, Spiel und Sang  
An diesem Ort!  
Wir steh'n fuer Freundschaft ein,  
Fuer Bethels Sonnenschein,  
Fuer Deutschtum, fromm und rein,  
Und—Gottes Wort.

Was soll denn "Bethel" sein?  
Der Name sagt es fein;  
Ein "Haus des Herrn!"  
Er stammt aus alter Zeit  
Und strahlt in Herrlichkeit;  
Sei Bethel drum noch heut  
Auch uns ein Stern! P. H. R.

### A BETHEL SONG

Sing we a Bethel song;  
Let it rise full and strong  
From loyal hearts!  
We sing of books and friends,  
Of true intelligence,  
Of science, common sense.  
And all the Arts.

Three cheers with voice and hands  
For all that Bethel stands  
In work or play!  
Three cheers for Hebron's heights  
Its games and Birthday sights,  
And for all Bethelites—  
Three cheers we say!

When Bethel's song we sing,  
Be it with double string  
Of heart and voice!  
We sing a noble name  
With an historic fame;  
Remember whence it came,  
And so rejoice!

Bethel means "House of God;"  
Spread this good name abroad,  
And make it true!  
Stand up for truth and right,  
For wisdom's holy light,  
For all that's pure and bright,  
And lovely, too! P. H. R.





## YESTERDAY -- MUSIC



Ladies Glee Club, 1920-1921

Oratorio Society, 1915

College Band, 1923



### OPPOSITE PAGE:

Ladies Glee Club, 1913

Ladies Choir, 1925

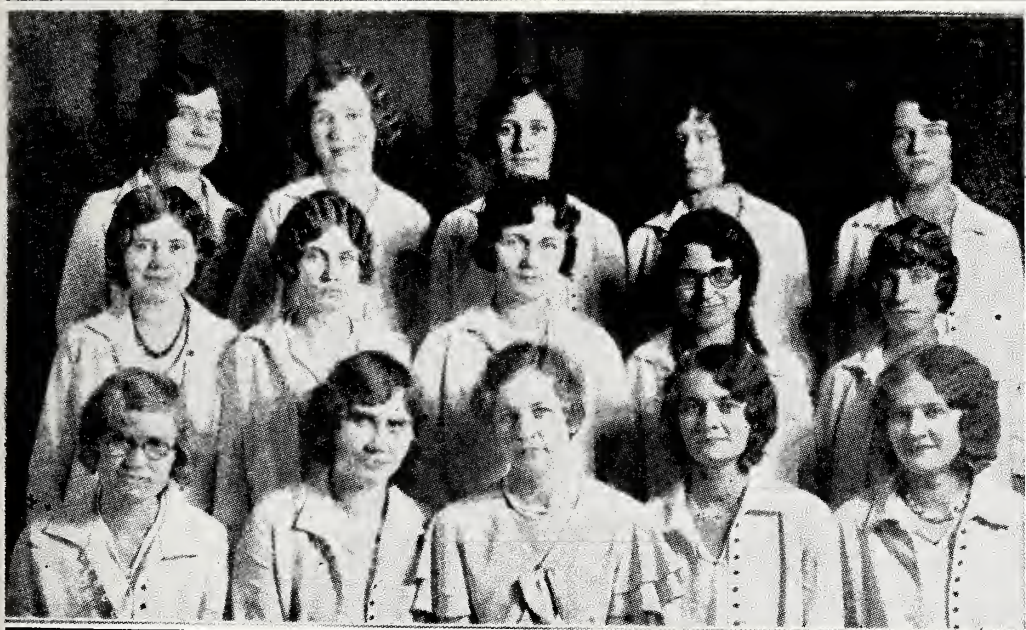
Ladies Glee Club, 1921

Ladies Choir, 1930

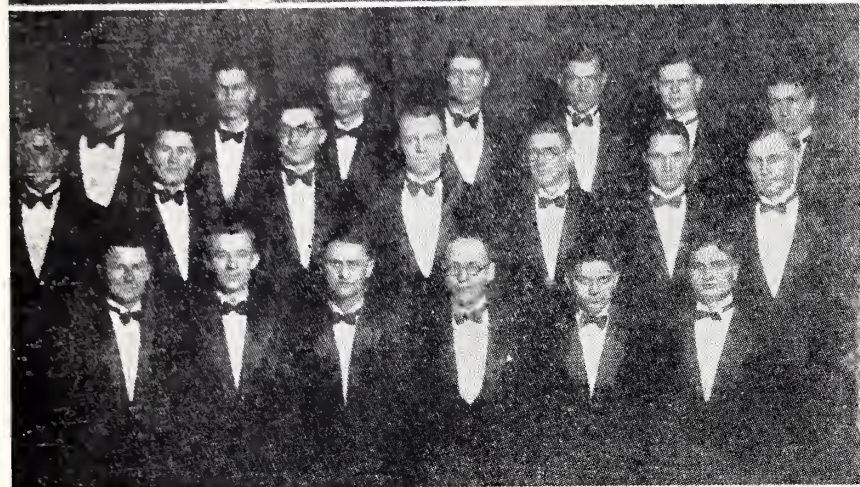
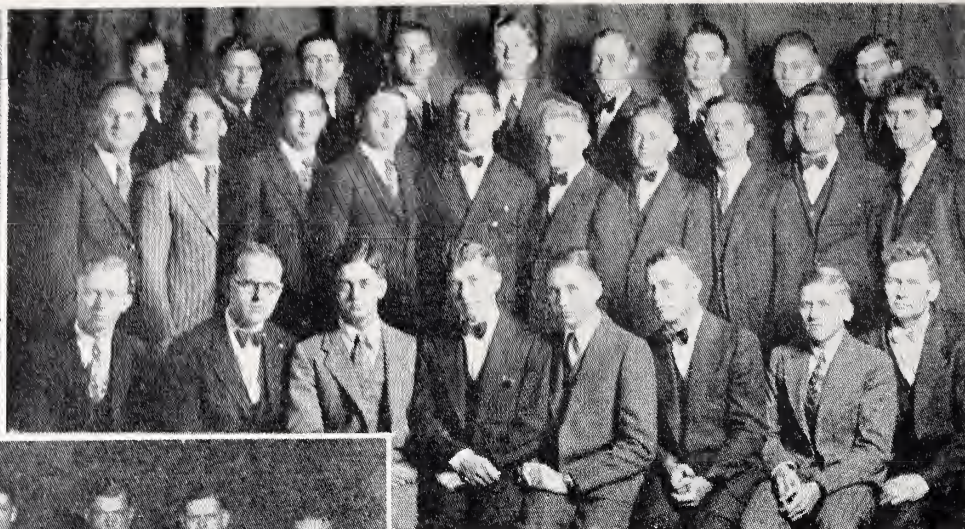
Music Club, 1929

Ladies Glee Club, 1911









## YESTERDAY -- MUSIC

Men's Quartet, 1931

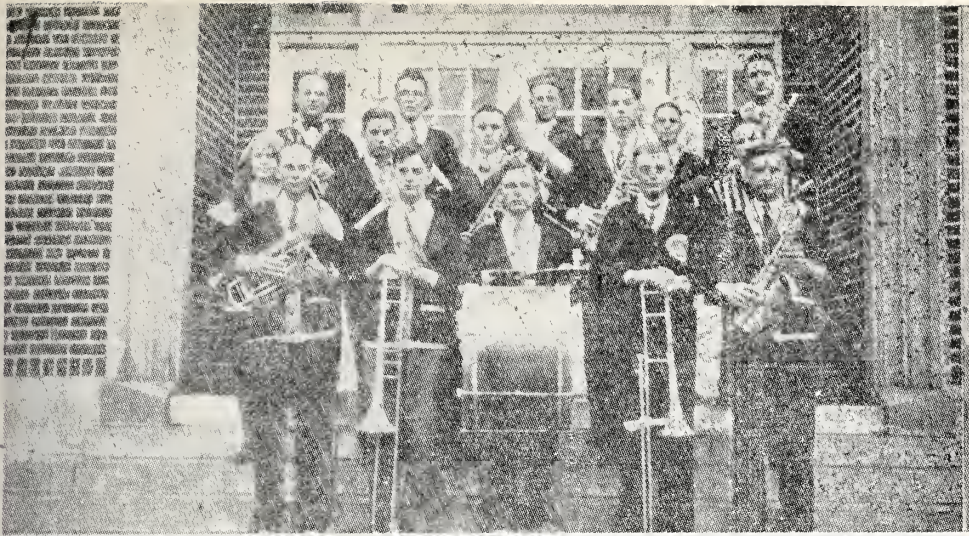
Men's Chorus, 1930-1931

Professor W. H. Hohmann, 1931

Men's Chorus, 1927-1928

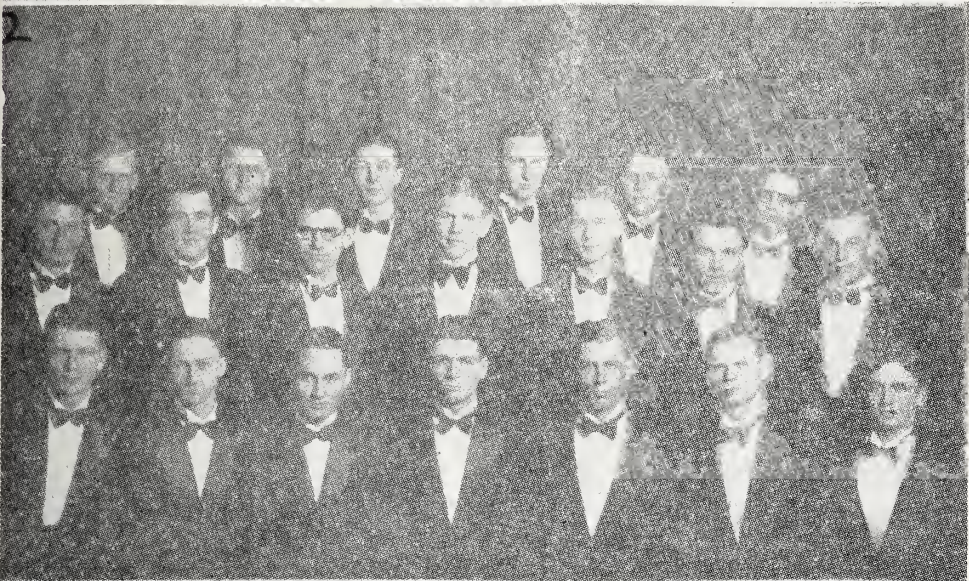
Oratorio Society, 1925





## YESTERDAY -- MUSIC

College Band, 1931



Men's Chorus, 1929



Bethel Concert Band, 1917



Men's Chorus, 1915



# TODAY -- MUSIC

By RUTH ROTH

The music department has been rapidly mounting to new heights. It is constantly rendering requested programs of various kinds. With the increasingly large number of students enrolled in this department, music floats over the campus from sun up to sun down. Harmony and counterpoint students try their hand at being second Bachs, and although they probably never quite



Left to right, 1st row, Waltner, Gerbrand, Ratzlaff, Duerksen, Penner, Reimer, Linscheid, Goering, Kliever, Rickman, Vogt, Hohmann; 2nd row, Lohmeyer, Ruth, Roth, Unruh, Regier, Friesen, Schmidt, Penner, Goering, Aeschliman, Stucky, Hendry, Friesen; 3rd row, Goering, Stucky, Bumgarner, Suderman, Franz, Regier, Graber, Koontz, Wenger, Wiebe, Barkman, Dick; 4th row, Hildebrand, Schmidt, McMurry, Baehr, Senner, Banman, Pankratz, Rayburn, Pankratz, Claassen, Reimer.

reach that level, their efforts are not altogether in vain, for usually among the dissonances is a harmony which with a streak of good luck may be even beautiful. The monotony of a long afternoon of study is broken by the strains of beautiful sacred music sung by the a cappella choir at its daily rehearsals. The sweet melodies of the organ are heard all day, and even into the night, as all the students of this complicated instrument try to get their hour of daily practice.

Faculty members of the music department render annual recitals. These display the talent of our capable teachers and are very inspiring to the students, as well as to the others in the audience.

Music students, both vocal and instrumental, are asked to make public appearances during the



Suderman

Penner

Regier

Hupp

Roth

Baehr





Left to right, 1st row, Rich, Schroeder, Friesen, Krehbiel, Baumgartner, Suderman (Director); 2nd row, Friesen, Smith, Buller, Vogt, Wilkens; 3rd row, Gephardt, Regier, Dick, Ediger, Baehr; 4th row, Schmidt, Krehbiel, Banman, Friesen, Haury; 5th row, Becker, Koelling, Albright, Laird, Rldings; 6th row, Regier, Stucky, Shlrk, Schmidt.

course of the year. These afford them an opportunity to develop their poise and self-confidence before an audience.

The men's quartet, an ever popular organization, has been much in demand the past two years. It has made numerous appearances in the schools and churches in surrounding communities, and countless numbers have been inspired by its fine music. The quartet this year was composed of Robert Senner, first tenor; Donald Bumgarner, second tenor; Arthur Wenger, baritone; and Elbert Koontz, bass. The quartet of 1936-37 was composed of August Dick, first tenor; Edwin Suderman, second tenor; Sam Barkman, baritone; and Arnold Regier, bass.

The ladies' trio of 1936-37 gave a large number of delightful programs, singing both sacred and secular numbers. It was much in demand, both in the immediate vicinity and at farther distances, singing over KFH in Wichita and KWBG in Hutchinson and in connection with the a cappella choir on its many trips. The personnel consisted of Martha Penner, first soprano; Lucille Schroeder, second soprano; and Ruth Roth, contralto. Since no ladies' trio or quartet was organized by the music department the past year, several self-organized groups have been taking the place of the above organization.

Professor Suderman is the able director of another very popular organization—the band. During





String Ensemble



Brass Quartet

the past few years it has been growing considerably, both in number and in musicianship. The organization with its thirty-five members has made many appearances, giving programs at many high schools and playing for athletic events both at home and for out-of-town games. The question no longer arises as to whether there should be a band, for it has been so much in demand that it is and will be a vital part of the music department.

The stringed ensemble, organized the past year, is rapidly finding its place in the life of the school. It has accompanied, with the organ, Handel's "Messiah" and has participated in several programs given by the music department.

The a cappella choir has been receiving honors with its beautiful music and is known as one of the finest organizations of its type in the state. At the beginning of each school year about fifty of the best singers are carefully chosen from the flood of applicants, and these make up the year's organization. These singers become acquainted with and sing the finest type of sacred music. The choir has presented many programs in the vicinity and broadcast a number of times. It has made numerous good-will tours, the most extensive last year being one of three weeks to the Atlantic coast.

Each year on Palm Sunday the choir presents "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Dubois, with the assistance of guest soloists. The choir also forms a nucleus for two other choral groups which present "The Messiah" by Handel at Christmas time and "The Holy City" by Gaul near the close of the school year. These presentations have gained a well-earned place in the music activities of the community and are an inspiration to many.

Men's Quartet

"The Hungry Five"







## The Choir Trip East

On the rainy morning of July 16, 1937, thirty-seven members of the a cappella choir, in a bus and two cars, bade farewell to friends and started on a four-thousand-mile goodwill tour. Giving programs nearly every evening, they traveled through Mennonite communities to Chicago, through the Blue Ridge and Alleghany Mountains to Washington, D. C., and New York City before they again turned homeward. The choir, besides giving several programs in Chicago, sang over the Columbia Broadcasting System, and in New York City they broadcast over the N. B. C. Throughout the trip Professor Hohmann was commended upon the finesse of his chorus. Lodging was usually provided the group by the people in the community in which they were singing, and members could keep expenses down to a minimum. After traveling and singing for three weeks, the tired but happy group enthusiastically greeted friends who were on the campus to meet them as their sojourn ended.





## YESTERDAY -- ORGANIZATIONS

Ophelian Literary Society, 1913



Athenian Literary Society, 1915

Philomathian Society, 1912

Delphian Society, 1913





Sunflower Society, 1911



Lincoln Literary Society, 1911



Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, 1915

Student Volunteer Group, 1931





## TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS



Bethel's Ship of State

Its Pilot

### SHIP OF STATE

By *KARL BAEHR*

Not perturbed about the threat of Communism, the menace of Fascism, or the Recession, yet not devoid of problems (social room, library conduct, noisy halls, social functions, etc.); not indulging in flamboyant filibusters, yet not minus periodic oratorical vociferations; not pursuing policies as dramatic as Hitler's march into Austria, and yet not without an occasional splurge of glamor (remember the crowning of the Wheat Bowl Queen?); and not a dashing impetuous dictatorship, but rather a democratic body legislating for and in the interests of student welfare—that is Bethel's Ship of State; that is the Student Council.

Composed of ten students and three faculty advisors and meeting every two weeks, the Student Council is engaged in numerous functions: It chooses the editors of the *Collegian* and the *Graymaroon*; it supervises the pep of the school and directs the election of the cheer leaders and the *Doxies*; it plans the Fall Mixer, Home Coming (Wheat Bowl Classic), All-School Picnic, Leap Week, Open House, and other social functions; and this year the organization sponsored the Midwest Assemblies Programs.

Piloting this Ship of State last year was intrusted to Glenn Stevenson, while this year Karl Baehr has stood at the helm.

Although it is doubtful whether any of the council members will make a Mussolini, it nevertheless appears that in years to come several politicians may look back to Bethel's Student Council as the place where they got their start.



# TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS

## GRAYMAROON STAFF

*By MILFORD HEIDEBRECHT*

"I have selected you people not only for your abilities, but also for your determination, willingness, and genuine school spirit. Since this is the Fiftieth Anniversary of the cornerstone laying of the Administration Building, we are going to dedicate this Graymaroon to those who have made possible the development of Bethel to the splendid school it now is. We will devote a large part of our Graymaroon to a portrayal of Bethel College life of years past. I am asking for your cooperation and enthusiastic effort to make this year's Graymaroon the biggest and best in Bethel's history." These words were delivered by editor-in-chief Eldon Graber, a speaker of wide experience, who was addressing the first meeting of the Graymaroon staff.

"Thelma, you enjoy going through old Graymaroons and old Bethel pictures," he continued. "We are going to need lots of them. I am appointing you as an associate editor, and together we will edit the first half of the Graymaroon. Your 'chattering' journalism will be a valuable contribution to the Graymaroon.

"John, I am appointing you and Frankie as associate editors to edit the last half of the Graymaroon, which deals with all of the extra-curricular activities. You have both shown an active interest in all of the extra-curricular activities of the school, since they are usually more interesting and thrilling than the academic activities. John, you have shown a special interest in athletics and dramatics, and Frankie, your varied experience and abilities qualify you to be an associate editor of this section of the Graymaroon.

"For that 'artistic touch' we have an artist on our staff. Pauline, that's you.

"Eldon, since you have a major in business and economics with a background of practical business experience, you should have no difficulty in keeping the Graymaroon out of the 'red' in your capacity as business manager. Dan, you are to be in charge of the photography department. You will have some crack cameramen to help you—Eric, Dwight, and Esko.

"Willis Rich has already worked out a tentative dummy, so we can start looking over it now and make any necessary revisions. We will probably 'bleed' some pages. The administration does not allow us to solicit advertisements for the Graymaroon, so we will have to put one out that will really go over with the alumni in order to make the Graymaroon pay for itself."

Editor-in-Chief Graber; Associate editors, Regier, Krehbiel, Schrag; Business Manager, Rich.





# TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS

## COLLEGIAN STAFF

*By ROBERT KREIDER*

The first Bethel Collegian to be published regularly on the Bethel campus in more than a decade made its appearance this year. Each Thursday of the school year the Collegian is distributed to 300 subscribers.

Sponsored by the Student Council, the campus paper is strictly on an extra-curricular basis. Throughout the past year twenty-two students contributed to the success of the Collegian. Publication of the weekly paper was under the direction of Robert Kreider, editor, and Professor Bernhard Bargen, adviser. Assisting in the task of editing was Robert Regier, associate editor. Business management was headed the first semester by Max Regier and the second semester by Lois Kliever.

Columnists who penned the columns and features for the Collegian included the following: Glen Fuller, Ada Mae Gressinger, Milford Heidebrecht, Helen Isaac, Thelma Krehbiel, Esko Lowen, Pauline Schmidt, Margaret Regier, and Tom Walker.



Krehbiel, Kliever

Editor Kreider

The Collegian staff at work

"Scooping" of campus news was the task of the following reportorial staff: Karl Baehr, Anne Ruth Ediger, Martha Friesen, Richard Goertz, Orville Horst, Doris Kellenbarger, Myrtle Molzen, Charles Stevenson, and Elsie Wiebe.

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# TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS

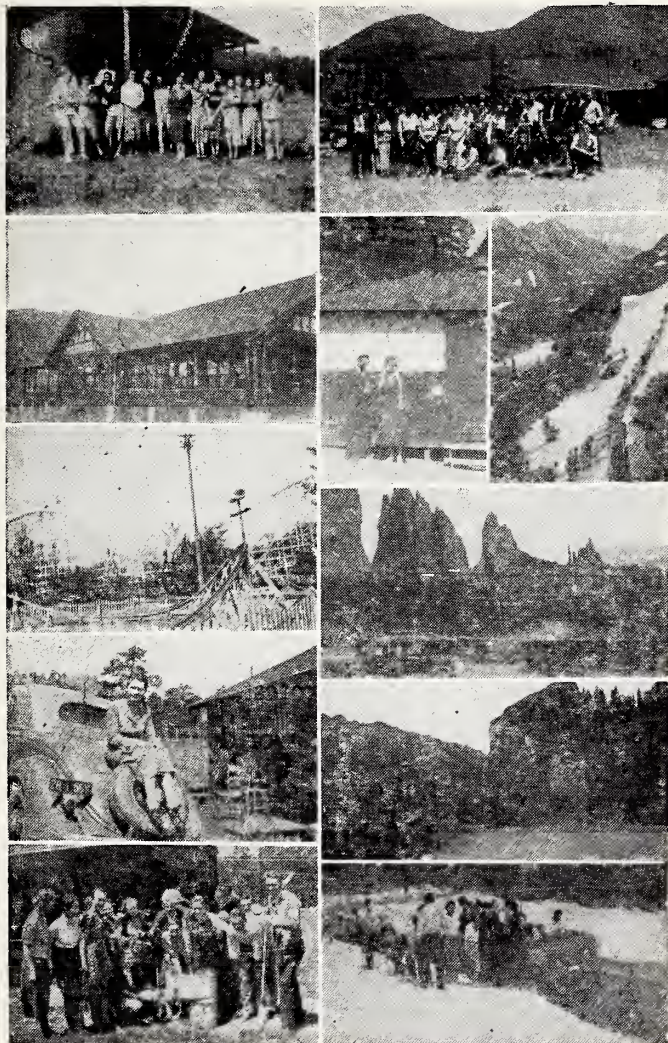
## THE STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

By ANNE RUTH EDIGER

Faces aglow with enthusiasm and voices united in a common cause, talking, laughing, singing around a friendship fire—these characterize the spirit of the Student Christian Movement. Some purposes of the Movement are: To help students find the real meaning of the Christian life and to translate it into actual situations; to serve the surrounding communities and keep them in contact with Bethel; to further national and international justice and goodwill; to study local problems and to help in solving them.

The S. C. M. makes a special effort to receive the freshmen in a cordial way and tries to help them adjust to college life. Throughout the year this organization sponsors breakfast hikes and worship services, campfire discussions, Wednesday chapel programs, Heart Sister Week, and occasionally, intercollegiate student conferences. It also joins the International Relations Club each spring in sponsoring the annual International Party.

### ESTES



1936 groups in front of their cabin

Administration building at Estes Park

Our chaperons, 1936

A hike in the mountains

And we all stopped in Denver for a roller coaster ride!

The Garden of the Gods

Esther must be mixed up

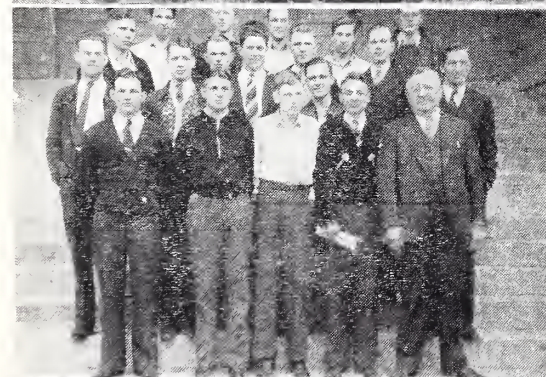
A well-kept mountain road

The 1937 delegation to Estes

An unusual summer sport—snowballing



## TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS



Through regular Tuesday evening programs for the organization, and through deputation programs in the surrounding churches, the Student Volunteer Band proposes to foster a thorough-going evangelical faith, effectively at work among and on behalf of all men.

The purpose of the German Club is, aside from affording its members practice in the use of the German language, to foster interest in things German generally: German life, customs, literature, art, music, travel, etc. All speaking, singing, and deliberating is done in the German tongue. An occasional social evening helps to foster the interest.

Artistically inclined students join the Art Club and take part in its programs, which consist of studies of the masters and their works, problems in interior decoration, and contemporary art. During the year this organization brings art exhibits to the campus, giving all an opportunity to see them.

The purpose of the Delta Sigma Society is to foster interest among the students in various lines of scientific study. To expedite its purpose, it has been divided into six seminars which meet bi-weekly. At these meetings papers are presented on various topics of scientific interest by faculty members and students.

Convinced that the terrible problem of war and peace cannot be solved by sensational strikes and emotional protest, the members of the International Relations Clubs all over the world have set themselves to the much more difficult task of quiet, objective study of the conditions which bring about war and of their possible remedy.





## TODAY -- ORGANIZATIONS

In September, 1937, twenty-five prospective teachers organized the Rural Teachers Club. Programs are designed to acquaint prospective teachers with the problems of rural school teaching and to provide contact between students, teachers, and administrators in this profession.

The Collegiate Rural Life Club is organized as a study group of twenty-five students interested in problems of agriculture and home economics. Worthwhile group discussions and lively social affairs are prominent in the activities of this club.

The Literary Club is composed of students interested in any phase of speech work. During the past year the Dramatics Club, Book Club, and Speech Club have been united to form the Literary Club, which meets every two weeks as an extra-curricular activity.

The Home Economics Club has as its objective the development of an understanding and appreciation of the field of home economics. The programs have been built up around a variety of subjects to fulfill such an objective. Social activities include a Home Coming breakfast, a Christmas party, a tea for the mothers, a picnic, and a breakfast for the senior girls.

The Kneiga Club is an organization of girls whose purpose is to get acquainted with various books and authors. At the meetings, which are held regularly every other week on Tuesday night, the biographies of distinguished authors and their works and influence are discussed.



## YESTERDAY -- PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Football Squad, 1915

Track Team, 1920-1921

Baseball Team, 1915



*OPPOSITE PAGE:*

Basketball Squad, 1921

Basketball Squad, 1929

Basketball Squad, 1925

Basketball Squad, 1928

Henry Gaeddert, 1931

Arnold Unruh, 1931

Donald Kenison, 1931

Clarence Cook, 1931



Art Darling, Coach, 1921

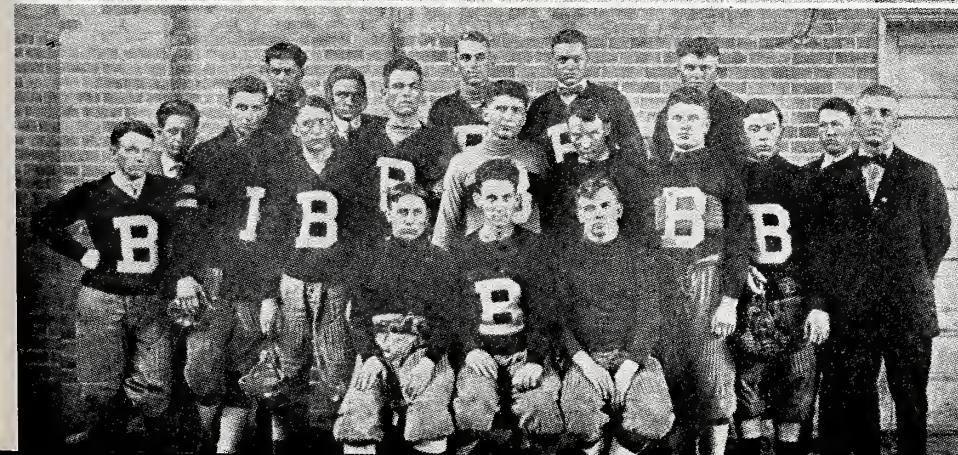
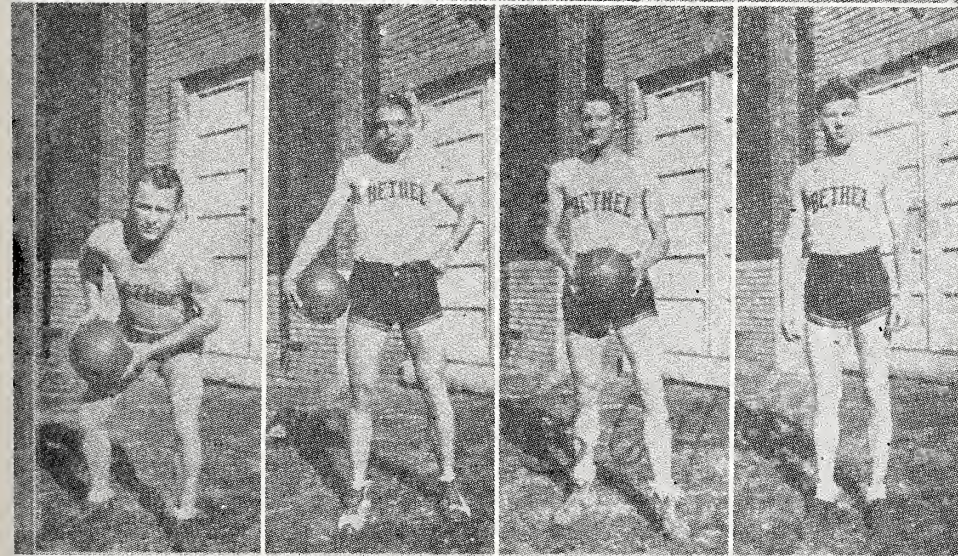
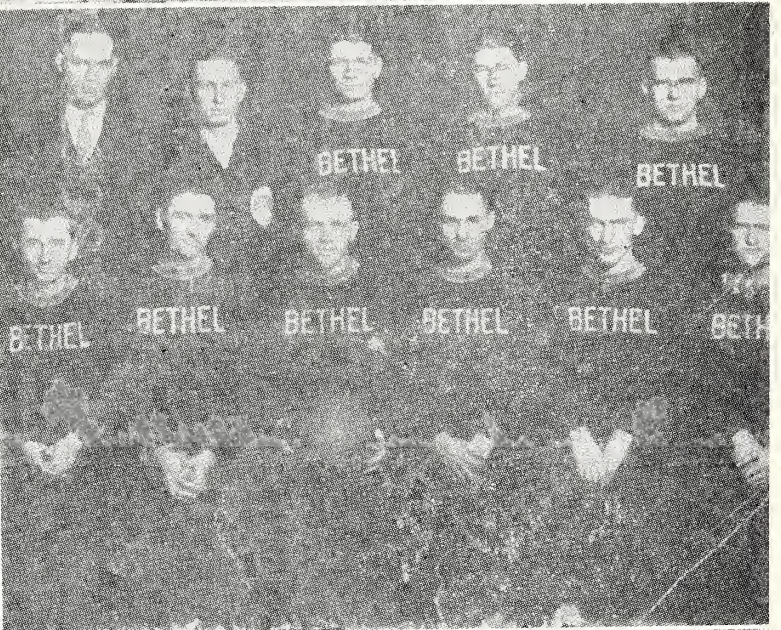
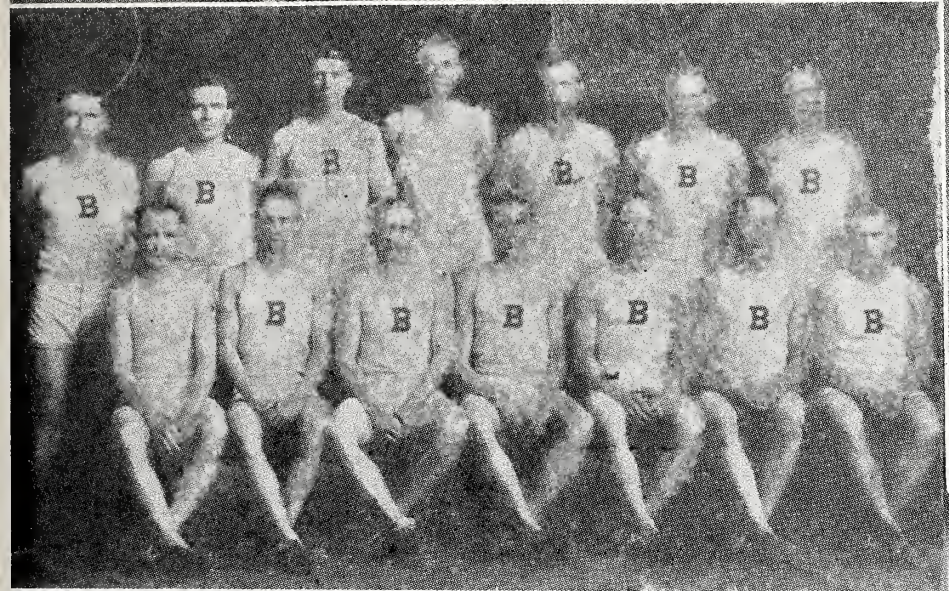
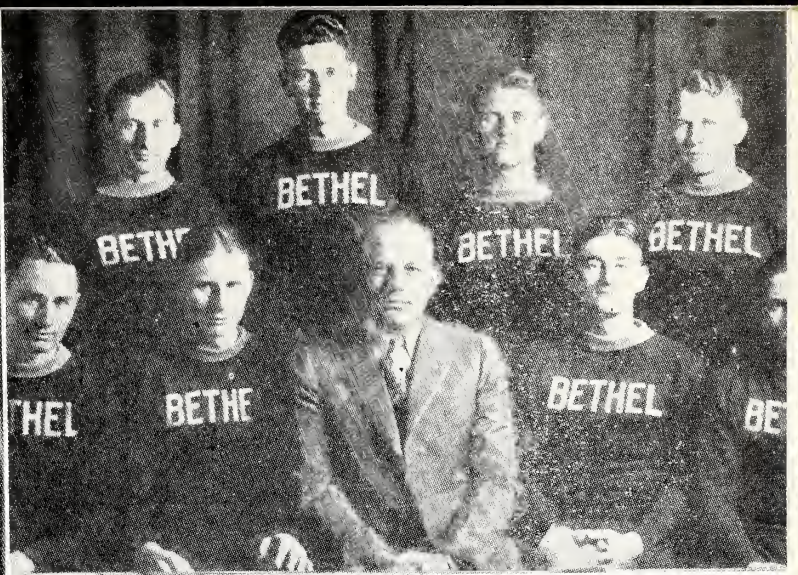
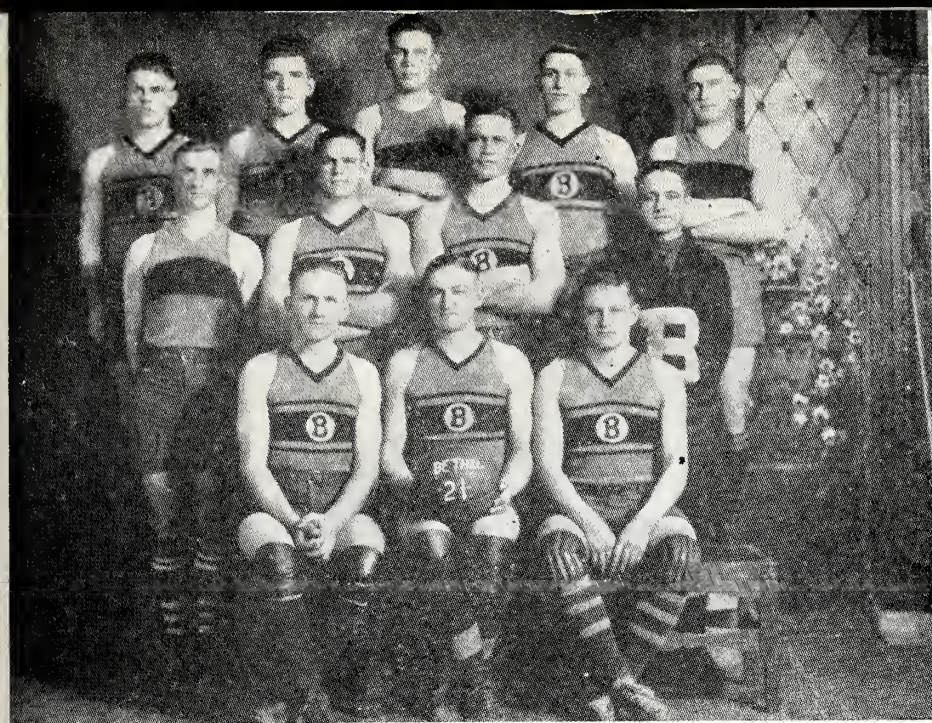
William Neufeld, 1921

Frank Balzer, 1921

Football Squad, 1915-1916

Academy Basketball Squad, 1925







## YESTERDAY -- PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Girls' Athletics, 1929



## TODAY -- PHYSICAL EDUCATION

BETHEL HAS A FOOTBALL TEAM OF WHICH IT MAY WELL BE PROUD !

*By TOMMY WALKER*

Continuing the tradition of Unruh-coached elevens, the Bethel College football teams have completed two successful campaigns. Although the schedule has shown a steady improvement in the class of teams played, the Graymaroons, dubbed the "Ottomen," have more than held their own.

Under the co-captaincy of Stevenson and Regier, the 1936 squad turned in a record that showed four games on the "win" side of the ledger and a like number on the "loss" side. Starting the season with a number of inexperienced men, the Graymaroons met, and were defeated by, the College of Emporia. One long run was enough to spell defeat by the score of 7 to 0. Journeying to the Panhandle of Oklahoma the following week, the Ottomen vanquished the tough Panhandle Aggies by the score of 7 to 0. Then followed two set backs: one to Bethany, 13 to 6, and one to McPherson, 21 to 12. Sterling was defeated by the score of 26 to 6. A new opponent, the Ottawa Braves, carried away a 7-to-0 victory. Hitting their stride in the last two games of the season, the men of the Gray and the Maroon humbled successively Chilocco, 7 to 0, and Hebron, 39 to 6.

Finishing their football careers for Bethel were co-captains Stevenson and Regier, F. Buhler, Graber, Wagner, and R. Schrag. Lost by withdrawal was W. Wedel.

Fortified with the return of twelve lettermen, Coach Otto Unruh and Cliff Morgan set to work to mold another smooth-functioning machine in the fall of '37. Led by the mighty Charlie Tubbs, who received all-state honorable mention for the third time, and blocking back John Schrag, the "Ottomen" won four games and lost three.

Opening the season against the College of Emporia eleven, the men of Bethel obtained "sweet" revenge for their previous defeat. In one of the best games ever played on the local gridiron, the Presbyterians were defeated 13 to 0 in a game which featured the pass-catching of Roy Hoff and the line-plunging of Charlie Tubbs.

Again journeying to Oklahoma, the men of the Gray and the Maroon engaged the Panhandle Aggies. After battling on even terms for three periods, the Bethel machine "turned on the power" and pushed across a fourth quarter touchdown which enabled them to win 7 to 0. Featured in this tilt was the long-distance punting of Dick Galle.

Riddled by injuries, the Bethel team next "took on" the Bethany Swedes. The Swedes, the top-notchers of the Kansas Conference, were in full stride and plunged and passed to a 33-to-12 victory in a free scoring exhibition. It was in this game that Quarterback Chet Unruh demonstrated his ability as an open-field runner by his spectacular return of punts.

Returning to the local gridiron, Bethel next faced the ever-tough Chilocco Indians. With the reserves carrying the brunt of the attack, the Indians were humbled to the tune of a 26-to-0 score. The open-field running of Dick Galle and the smashing, bruising line-plunging of co-captain Tubbs were the outstanding features of this game from a spectator's point of view.

A mid-season battle saw the playing of the football classic of the local season, when Bethel's perennial rivals, the McPherson Bulldogs, came to town. The difference in the two teams lay in one





Back Row, reading left to right: Coach O. D. Unruh, G. Galle, Kuchny, Musselman, C. Unruh, R. Galle, W. Unruh, Tubbs, Walker, Horst, Lowe, Epp, Moyer, O. Schrag, Heidebrecht; Second Row: E. Schrag, O. Goering, Rupp, Haury, Voth, E. Buller, Stevenson, Hayden, A. Kaufman, Rayburn, Reimer, O. Kaufman, W. Goering; First Row: J. Schrag, Suderman, Stucky, L. Buller, Zerger, J. Goering, Ray, Buhler, Hoff, Gaeddert, Potter. "Mascots"—Archie and Duane Unruh.

point after touchdown. Going into the final period on the short end of a 13-to-0 score, the "Ottomen" suddenly came to life and scored two touchdowns. However, they were unable to convert either point after touchdown and had to be satisfied with a 13-to-12 loss. It was the granite-like quality of Bethel's stalwart line, and the backfield play of Charlie Tubbs that highlighted the Graymaroons' performance even in defeat.

The Sterling Warriors were Bethel's opponents in the annual "Wheat Bowl" classic. By means of a perfectly executed pass from Musselman to Dick Galle, the local aggregation scored on the first play after the kick-off, and they retained the lead throughout as they threshed out a 21-to-12 victory over the Warriors.

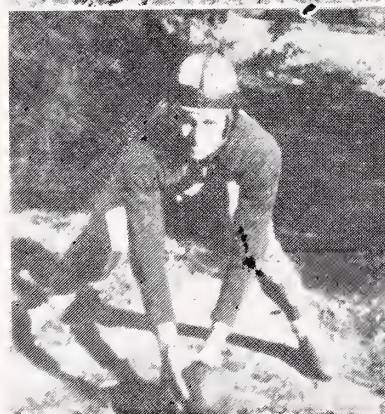
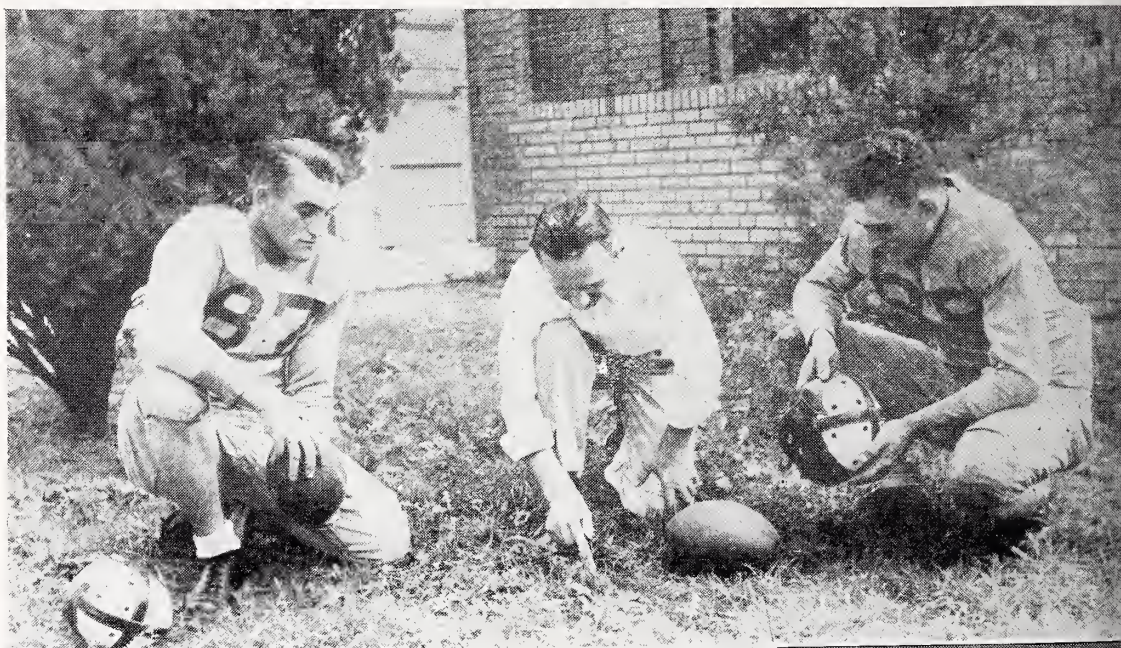
The final game of the season was played in the mud at Ottawa. Outweighed about twenty pounds to the man, the Bethel offense "bogged down" on the slow field as they were defeated 13 to 0. Inability to stop the heavy line of the Braves and the impossibility of the Maroons' pony backs cantering were the contributing factors toward the defeat.

Graduation and completion of eligibility took a heavy toll from the squad. Those who have worn the Maroon and the Gray for the last time are co-captains Tubbs and Schrag, Zerger, A. Buhler, Walker, Suderman, Voth, and Epp.

Coach Unruh with Co-captains Tubbs and Schrag

Co-captains Stevenson and Regier

Cliff Morgan







"Gib"—a sure "triple threat"  
 "Butch"—a good plug in any line  
 "Barber Bill"—a determined, calm, hard-fighting half  
 "Arny"—the old reliable; an asset to any team  
 Roy—end; "If you can throw it far enough he'll snag it"  
 "Chet"—a shifty half; a sure blocker; 90 yards and 11 Swedes  
 "Lindy"—sturdy tackle; a bulwark of defense  
 "Bus"—Halstead's pride; a rugged tackle  
 Ralph—a yearling with "plenty" and a future  
 "Zerg"—tough, calm, and dependable  
 Dick—a shifty half with an educated toe and a mighty wing  
 O. Goering—a scrappy fighter; he's never down  
 "Punch"—plenty of "punch"; a hard man to move

Joe—He has what it takes; Joe plays a nice game anywhere he's put  
 E. Buller—a good end in the making  
 "Sudie"—shared the tough center position  
 Rayburn—He wouldn't move, they couldn't get around, so the offense stopped  
 Kuehny—another valuable yearling; "Into Tubbs' shoes next season?"  
 Hayden—the end behind which all halves want to play; "best from the West"  
 Walker—a scrappy ball player; power both on offense and defense  
 Voth—a fast, sure-blocking guard  
 Musselman—a calm, smart field general



# TODAY -- PHYSICAL EDUCATION

## THE 1939 BASKETBALL SEASON

By BILL UNRUH

Playing against some of the toughest competition in the state during the seasons 1936-37 and 1937-38, the Bethel basketeers played a brand of ball of which any school could be proud. Among the accomplishments was the winning of the Sunflower Conference championship both seasons.

In the 1936-37 season the Grayma-rooms won eight games against seven losses. The victims were Bethany, Ottawa, Friends, McPherson, Sterling, while defeats were suffered at the hands of Ft. Hays State, Oklahoma City U., McPherson, Mexico City U., College of Emporia, and the Chilocco Indians. Members of the 1936-37 squad were Hoff, Catlin, W. Unruh, Stucky, Banman, C. Unruh, G. Galle, Clark, E. Buller, Voth, Jackson, Friesen, Schrag, and Ediger.

When the call for basketball men was sent out at the beginning of the 1937-38 season seven lettermen together with some promising rookies reported, and a good team was soon whipped into shape. The end of the season found the Ottomen with ten wins and eight losses.

The season was started off with a bang by a sensational win over the Ottawa Baptists, 25-24. This game showed that the boys had some real ball-playing talent.

C. of E., the best team in the Kansas Conference, was a bit too much for the boys to handle at this time and the game was dropped, 28-52. The team again hit its stride in the Chilocco Indian game and scalped them to the tune of 34-20.

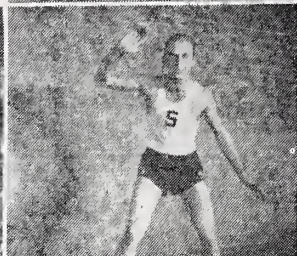
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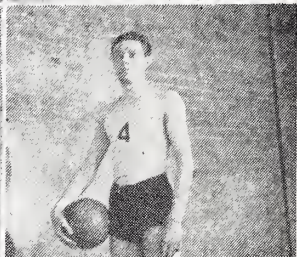
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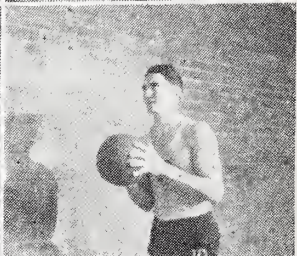
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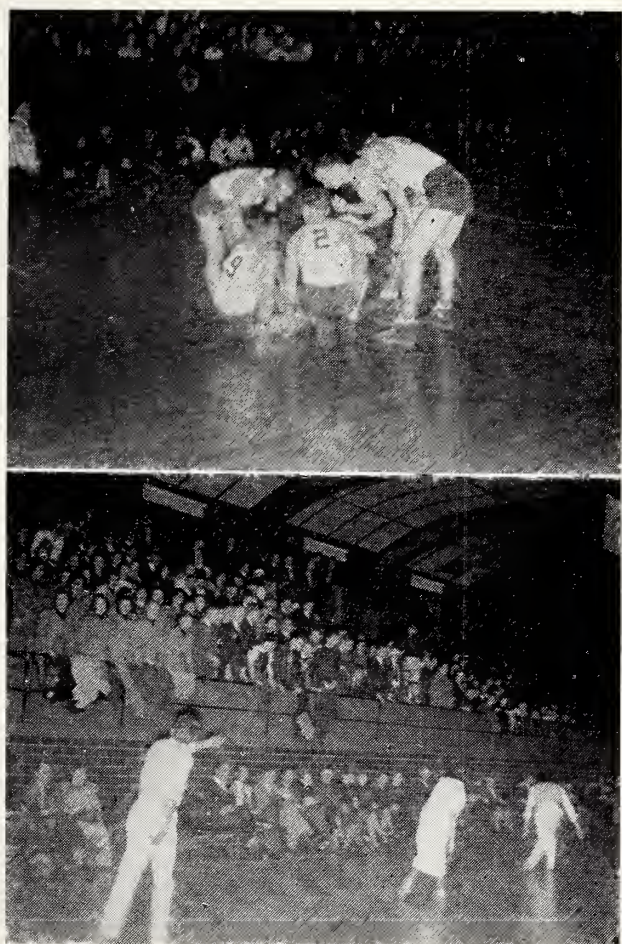


In the tournament at McPherson during Christmas vacation two games were played. The first game was a hard-fought battle against C. of E. that went into an overtime period and was lost by a shot that was in the air when the gun went off. The consolation game in the evening against the Bethany Swedes was easily taken at 40-29.

The Bethel men, probably a bit over-confident, were defeated by the Swedes 34-31 in the first game after Christmas vacation. The Chilocco Indians were again victims of the Graymaroon squad and were taken into camp with a score of 40-22. In a game that was rough, aggressive, and hard fought, the McPherson Bulldogs were responsible for the next defeat, 36-28. C. of E., the team that apparently was a jinx to the Bethel team, again defeated the Ottomen, 45-31.

In the most brilliantly played game of the year, the Bethel men redeemed themselves for some of the losses during the year by defeating Oklahoma City University quintet in a thrilling game, 37-35. In another close decision game the Bethel team lost to Baker University, 39-41.

The old rivals from the north, the McPherson Bulldogs, came to Bethel February 12, but were still too much for the boys to handle and another close game was dropped, 43-40. Sterling and Friends, the Sunflower Conference members, were both taken in stride and soundly beaten by scores of 43-23 and 52-30, respectively. In the second game with Friends the Bethel team again ran up a high score to win, 46-35.



The last loss of the year was suffered at the hands of an avenging Oklahoma City U. team by a score of 35-22. Sterling was again beaten, on the first of March, to clinch the Sunflower Conference title. The score was 37-25. The last game of the season was a hard fought game with the Bethany Swedes. Bethel managed to win out by a two-point margin, 28-26.

Of the squad that finished the season not one member will graduate. With prospects like this we warn our neighboring schools to watch our dust.

Basketball scenes in Lindley Hall



## TODAY -- PHYSICAL EDUCATION

### TRACK -- THE SPORT OF "RUGGED INDIVIDUALISM"

By ED VOTH



1937 Track Team

Coach Unruh,  
Captain Ralph Schrag

Clark throws javelin

Leisy greets Cunningham  
on Bethel track

Waldo Voth on the mile

Relay Team: Stevenson,  
Galle, Jackson, Schrag

Friesen broad jumping

Ed Voth doing the  
high hurdles

Hoff on the home stretch

The past two seasons have seen Bethel tracksters step up to previously undiscovered heights. For an opening victory to start the 1936 track team to their fame, the Bethel speedsters showed their spikes to the mighty Bulldogs to the count of 72 to 54. Repeating the tune of the first start, they followed through over the Sterling Warriors and Friends University by even larger scores than the opener. The conference championship was copped in grand fashion by a margin of 20 tallies over the Warriors. To top off their marvelous season the thinclads entered the Second Annual McPherson Relays only to be out-distanced by the powerful boys from Kansas Wesleyan.

The 1937 record was almost a duplicate of the previous year. Friends University, McPherson, Southwestern, and Sterling were taken into camp in perfect order, all to the count of 2 to 1 or better. The Sunflower Conference championship was again conquered by an even larger margin. The McPherson Relays were replaced by the Sterling Intercollegiate Relays, where the Bethelites captured third honors. Individual records were established there by Ed Voth with a new record in the high hurdles, and Eric Friesen with a second in the broad jump.

Besides a score of fellow tracksters, the records thus far created have largely been due to six outstanding trackmen: James Clark, Paul Hall, Eric Friesen, Dan Richert, Ed Voth, and Waldo Leisy. At the present time Bethel Boys are holding 9 records out of 15 in the Sunflower Conference.

Losing several of the best point-makers, but with a wealth of new material at hand and a number of lettermen returning, the Bethel "Rugged Individuals" will be seen speeding down the track to even greater marks in the years to come.





## THE LETTER CLUB

By ROY HOFF

The Bethel College Letter Club is composed of men of "B's" in intercollegiate competition. There are two groups, the Alumni Letter Club and College Letter Club.

The Alumni Letter Club members are active boosters for Bethel's athletics and give a banquet each year for the football boys.

Members of the club assist Coach Unruh with the Harvey County Grade and Little Ark Valley track meets.

This year the "B" Club is sponsoring an intramural basketball, volleyball, wrestling, and boxing tournaments. The past three years the club has sponsored the buffalo barbecue, a "stag" feed for the "he-men" of this community. The club has brought to the campus in connection with this feed many outstanding physical education directors, such as Dr. James Fran Naismith and Dr. Forrest C. Allen.

### LETTER CLUB:

Stem of B, reading down: Catlin, Musselman, A. Friesen, Hayden, R. Galle, C. Unruh, Ray, G. Galle, Tubbs

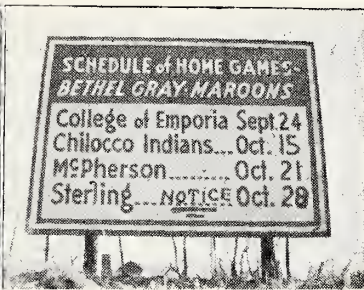
Upper part of B, reading to right: Walker, W. Unruh, Buhler, Banman, Buller, Jackson

Lower part of B, reading to right: Voth, E. Friesen, Zerger, Suderman, Flory, Hoff, Schrag, Goering

Sponsors: Coach Unruh, Dr. J. H. Doell



"Are you sure, that's true, Coach?"



One of the club's projects

## THE DOXIES

The Bethel College Pep Club (the Doxies) was created by the Student Council in 1937, and the twenty-five charter members were elected by the student body last fall, a limited number of representatives being allowed to each class. The purpose of the Doxies is to promote school spirit among the student body.

The "pep girls" in their gray-and-maroon costumes and with their pennants and dachshunds lend a collegiate atmosphere to the halls of the Administration Building on days of all-school affairs and make a picture of enthusiasm and interest at athletic events. Some of their activities have included ushering at school entertainments, serving hot lunches after school functions, presenting stunts between halves at basketball and football games, selling tickets for school events, decorating the queen's float for the Wheat Bowl Festival, and entertaining the basketball and football men. The Doxies helped with the annual Play Day, which was held on the Bethel College campus last spring.

Stem of B, reading down: Zuercher, Guthrie, Wiebe, Baehr, Pleasant, Schrag, Ruth, Roth, Kliewer

Upper part of B, reading to right: Enns, Chambers, Hopping, Ewert, Regier, Isaac, Stucky

Lower part of B, reading to right: Westerman, Hostetler, Zink, Kaufman, Haury, Ratzlaff, Epp, Dirks, Ediger







Ruth Haury  
Homecoming Queen, 1936

Wheat Bowl Float  
1937

Hattie Elta Pettis  
Wheat Bowl Queen, 1937

Wheat Queen with Attendants

Winning Float

Homecoming Game, Sterling 13, Bethel 21

## HOME COMING --- 1937

### Wheat Bowl Classic

Climaxing a successful football season, Bethel inaugurated the first annual Wheat Bowl Festival in honor of the homecoming of the alumni. Commemorating the fact that it was the Mennonite forefathers who introduced the Turkey Red wheat into America, the Wheat Bowl football game will be an annual event.

Queen Hattie Pettis and her attendants, Lois Kliever and Ruth Epp, chosen by student poll, occupied the seats of honor and rode the queen's float heading the big parade which passed in review directly in front of the municipal stadium before the homecoming game. After the colorful parade, in which college organizations and dormitories vied for honors in originality and beauty, and just before the tilt with the Sterling Warriors, Captain Charlie Tubbs crowned the queen. After the game the parade returned to the college, where alumni and students enjoyed a bonfire and eats provided by the Doxies.





THE FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM

1933-1938



## SYMBOLS IN THE BETHEL COLLEGE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SEAL

Center: THE CROSS OF CHRIST, revealing God's supreme love for mankind.

Upper Right: SWITZERLAND, birthplace of the Mennonite faith during the Reformation.

Upper Left: HOLLAND, birthplace of Menno Simons, Christian leader after whom the Mennonites were named.

Lower Left: (1) BETHEL COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING — oldest Mennonite College in America. Cornerstone laid October 12, 1888.

(2) OXEN DRAWING THRESHING STONE—introduced by the Mennonites and selected as the emblem of Bethel College by the students of 1934-35. This stone represents the pioneering spirit, simplicity of life, faith, stability, and strength of character.

(3) HARD WINTER WHEAT—introduced to America by the founders of Bethel College.

Lower Right: THE WORLD—Our field of service. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." St. Matthew 28:19 and 20.

Margin (right): THE CHRISTIAN SHIELD representing the Kingdom of God and His righteousness which should be our great concern.

Margin (left): THE AMERICAN SHIELD—its colors represent truth, purity, and courage; its constitution guarantees religious freedom; its government recognizes Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness as rights of its citizens. To the end of preserving Christian Democracy in America and extending its blessings to the uttermost parts of the world, the friends who support Bethel College invest their interest, their money, and their lives.

Inside Margin: FAITH, HOPE, AND LOVE—These virtues motivated the establishment of Christian homes, schools, churches, hospitals, and missions. These characteristics of the Prince of Peace have strengthened Mennonites during four centuries of persecution. These peace-loving people lived and died for their adopted countries, but they chose death in filthy prisons, were burned at the stake, served as galley slaves, and suffer starvation in exile rather than kill their fellowmen. Their lives are testimonies to the words of the poet who sings:

"Plant lilies and lilies will grow;  
Plant roses and roses will bloom;  
Plant hate and hate to life will spring;  
Plant love and love to you will bring  
The flowers of the seeds you sow."



## THE FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM

As we are nearing the end of the Five-Year Program adopted by the Board and Corporation to be achieved by the Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration, October 12, 1938, we look back with interest to note how much of it has been accomplished and where we have failed to reach our goal.

(In the following discussion the aims of the original Five-Year Program are quoted in italics.)

### 1. STUDENT BODY:

- a. *Better quality*
- b. *Greater number (400 if possible)*

Some progress has been made with reference to the quality of the student body, and according to the last catalog the total enrollment excluding repetitions for 1937-38 was 469.

### 2. FACULTY MEMBERS: *Not necessarily increase the total number very much, but put more stress on the following qualifications:*

- a. *High scholastic standards*
- b. *Outstanding teaching ability*
- c. *Able public speakers*
- d. *Inspiring personality*
- e. *Community-minded, wholesome men and women*
- f. *Devotion to Mennonite principles*
- g. *Positive Christ-centered teaching and life*

The total number of the faculty has been increased and the scholastic standard, teaching ability, loyalty, and wholesomeness of personality of our faculty members is rated very high by the North Central Association.

### 3. CAMPUS AND DORMITORY LIFE: *An atmosphere more completely surcharged with the Christian spirit*

- a. *Have a faculty member live in each dormitory with students*
- b. *Develop our set-up for personnel and guidance work*
- c. *Student-faculty cooperation in school government by way of the Student Council*
- d. *Develop more campus traditions which are in line with the Christian ideal*

We have made progress in bettering our campus and dormitory life. A faculty member now lives in each student dormitory, who cooperates with the deans of the school in the interests of the individual student and the school as a whole. Our reorganized set-up for personnel and guidance work is making itself felt in a quiet but constructive way, and, although it cannot be said that we have an atmosphere completely surcharged with the Christian Spirit, we have consciously worked toward that goal, and several campus traditions have been developed which are in line with the Christian ideal; for example, the inspirational music from the chimes tower, the threshing-stone emblem, and the annual senior educational tour in place of senior "sneak."





Prof. A. E. Kreider

Director of Religious Life on the Campus

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By HAROLD RATZLAFF

Religious life on the campus is centered in various activities directed by both students and faculty. Two student organizations provide avenues through which participants may receive inspiration as well as give opportunity for the expression of Christian truth and ideals.

The Student Christian Movement purposes to "build Christian personalities by helping one another weave the Christ-like way of living into our daily lives, by encouraging desirable activity on the campus, and by stimulating a new sense of world Christian community." The purpose of the Student Volunteer Band is two fold: "first, to promote missionary interests and education on the campus and in the community; second, to promote the spiritual welfare of its members by mutual fellowship and to assist in all ways possible in exemplifying and in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

These two student organizations seek to accomplish their purposes by having regular weekly meetings; by giving programs in the various churches and schools of the communities surrounding Bethel; and by undertaking definite problems as projects, thus providing creative Christian activities to occupy students' leisure time.

A picture of religious education would not be complete without mentioning chapel exercises. This brief period set aside every day provides an opportunity for students and faculty to cease their work and gather as a group for a period of real worship. Student-cherished memories will include the beautiful music of the pipe organ, the reading of Scriptures, the moments of prayer, and the singing of devotional hymns.

Dr. W. A. Elliott

Speaker during Religious  
Emphasis Week, 1937







Dr. D. W. Kurtz  
Bible Week Leader, 1938

Bible courses, too, help to enrich the student's life and give him a broader outlook on life as a result of the deeper understanding of things spiritual which he acquires through a study of the Bible.

For many years Bethel has annually set aside one week as Bible Week, during which time some well-qualified leader presents several lectures each day. This week is planned especially for surrounding communities. Since 1935, another week has been set aside as Religious Emphasis Week, which is a period of special emphasis on Christian thinking and living, planned particularly for the students.

Each Sunday morning the chimes call to worship a large number of students who go to hear the inspiring words of Reverend Smucker, the pastor of the Bethel College Church.

Rev. J. N. Smucker  
Pastor of the Bethel College Church



Rev. D. C. Wedel  
One of the Speakers during Religious Emphasis Week  
1936





4. CURRICULUM: *Revise our curriculum in the light of best present-day trends of the small Christian liberal arts college and work out a unique set-up for our particular situation and mission.*

Although a perfected, integrated curriculum, related closely with life, has not yet been fully realized, progress has been made. Our divisional organization of the curriculum and the introductory courses have helped us to go in this direction. Much remains to be done to integrate a curriculum of mental, vocational, social, and religious life that is to set up a wholesome program of study, work, social life, and worship by activities engaging the mind, hand, and heart, making for balanced and integrated growth in wisdom (mental), stature (physical), and favor with God (spiritual) and man (social).

5. COLLEGE AND CHURCH: *Work for a closer relationship between the two.*

- a. *Complete, if possible, the Bethel Fellowship organization*
- b. *Serve the church in every way possible; such as giving worthwhile programs by student groups and faculty members in our congregations; arranging worthwhile offerings at the college by way of institutes for ministers; and conducting training schools for church workers*

Bethel College has worked for a closer relationship with the church. The organization of the Fellowships was one step toward such cooperation. Other important contacts were the following: service in the churches through programs by various college groups and addresses by faculty members; the annual Mennonite Song Festival; the Kansas Institute of International Relations held on the campus; the Music Institute; a course for ministers of the surrounding communities; the annual Bible Week. The Bible offerings have been expanded by adding a ministers' short course as well as one year of Bible work to be taken by students studying for the ministry after graduation. Some such students have been assisting in the pulpits of the various surrounding churches.

The gospel of Christian love is being lived and preached by Bethel Alumni in at least thirty-three states and nine countries.

## BETHEL COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP ASSOCIATION

At the present time the Bethel College Fellowship Association has increased its membership to forty-four organizations. These organizations are distributed over Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, California, Washington, Minnesota, and Idaho. The general aim for these organizations is to further mutual understanding and helpfulness between church and college.

The association has as its specific aims the following:

1. To pray for Bethel
2. To talk for Bethel
3. To suggest improvements at Bethel
4. To help people get better acquainted with Bethel
5. To call Bethel's attention to prospective students



6. To encourage prospective students to attend Bethel
7. To encourage individuals to make a definite annual financial contribution to Bethel

Each local organization elects its own officers, one officer being elected each year for a period of three years. There is a central committee which is located on the campus and which cooperates with the local chapters. This central committee arranges for at least one general meeting each year of all local Fellowships for prayer, organization, discussion, and action. It also arranges for a personal canvass once a year, inviting every member of the respective congregation to join the local Bethel College Fellowship by making a financial contribution to Bethel College for that year. The contributions through the Fellowship in 1934 amounted to \$6,839; in 1935, to \$5,985.01; in 1936, to \$47,205.41; and in 1937, to \$27,381.41.

The local chapters that have been organized thus far include:

Aberdeen (Idaho) Church	Hanston Church
Alexanderwohl Church	Hebron Church
Arlington Church	Hillsboro Church
Beatrice (Nebr.) Church I	Hoffnungsau Church
Beatrice (Nebr.) Church II	Hutchinson Church
Bergfelder (Minn.) Church	Inman Church
Bergthal Church	Inola (Okla.) Church
Bergthal (Okla.) Church	Johannestal Church
Bethel (Minn.) Church	Lehigh Church
Bethel College Church	Los Angeles (Calif.) Church
Bethesda (Nebr.) Church	Mt. Lake (Minn.) Church
Bruderthal Church	Menno (Wash.) Church
Buhler Church	Meno (Okla.) Church
Butterfield (Minn.) Church	Newton Church
First Mennonite Church of Christian	Pretty Prairie Church
Deer Creek (Okla.) Church	Reedley (Calif.) Church
Eden Church	Sichar (Okla.) Church
Emmaus Church	Tabor Church
Garden Church	Upland (Calif.) Church
Gnadenberg Church	West Zion Church
Goessel Church	Wichita Church
Halstead Church	Wisner (Nebr.) Church

## THE MENNONITE SONG FESTIVAL SOCIETY

*By Paul Baumgartner*

The Mennonite people, like other groups who have suffered because of their religious convictions, have found solace in the singing of hymns. When the early Mennonites came to America they brought with them this custom which they passed on to their children. Members of the younger generation began to study music and they in turn carried their training to the home churches; thus the interest and love for good music grew among the Mennonite people.





With easier travel came the idea that benefit could be derived by bringing choirs together in song services. Pretty Prairie and Buhler had held previous festivals, and in the spring of 1930, the Alexanderwohl Church invited some of the neighboring churches to participate in a song service at which time the Mennonite Song Festival Society was organized. The invitation of the Eden Church was accepted for the following spring, and several additional choirs joined the group. In 1932 the festival was held at the Emmaus Church.

The following spring when the festival was held in the First Mennonite Church in Newton groups of choirs were organized into districts, and these rendered the afternoon programs. In the evening "The Holy City" by Gaul and other great musical selections were sung by the combined choirs of all the districts. This plan was followed for several seasons.

As time went on the festival had grown to such proportions that it could not well be accommodated with the available equipment in the various churches. Bleachers were built in the Kidron Park on the Bethel College Campus in the spring of 1934. The festival has met in this place each year since, with the exception of 1935 and 1937, when it was taken to Lindley Hall in Newton because of rain.

The various choirs feel that they have a common problem, namely to render good music in a reverent and worshipful attitude. The aim of the society has been to foster such an attitude and also to develop a love and appreciation for good music.

## MUSIC INSTITUTE

The "music institute" idea has been carried on successfully to encourage good music in the public schools. Those vitally interested in sacred music felt that the same idea might be carried out to develop enthusiasm for better church music. With this in mind the Mennonite Song Festival Society sponsored a Church Music Institute at Bethel College during the week of July 17 to 23, 1938.

The Society was fortunate in securing the services of Dr. H. Augustine Smith, Head of Fine Arts in Religion at Boston University. Dr. Smith is a master in the field of church music and, in addition to his teaching, has traveled extensively throughout the world in the interest of church music. He is an expert in leading congregational singing and massed choirs and has made a study of the place of pagantry in church music.

The program of the week was planned primarily for those interested in church music regardless of denominational affiliation. A colorful pageant which was presented on the final evening of the Institute climaxed the week.



The venture was successful even beyond the expectations of the Society. Many denominations were represented in the enrollment. People from the surrounding communities as well as from Newton availed themselves of this opportunity to gain information and inspiration which, in turn, can be used in our music activity. It is hoped that something of this nature may be made an annual affair.

## KANSAS INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

For the past three years Bethel College has had the good fortune to be the host of the Kansas Institute of International Relations. This Institute is one of eleven affiliated groups located throughout the United States and is conducted under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee, the Peace Committee of the General Conference of Mennonites, Church of the Brethren Board of Christian Education, Kansas Yearly Meeting of Friends, and the Congregational Christian Council for Social Action.

These institutes provide an intensive ten-day course of lectures, discussions, and personal contacts with national and world-famous authorities on vital international problems. The course is designed to quicken the spiritual concern for world peace; to furnish accurate information on, and penetrating insight into pressing world problems; to discover practical techniques for peace education for all citizens; and to provide a period of fellowship and interchange of thought for people of this region who love peace and democracy. The theme of the 1937 Institute was "Democratic America Faces World Crisis," and of the 1938 Institute, "Peaceful Change in a World at War."

Some of the most outstanding leaders and the most popular here in Kansas have been: Dr. Frederick W. Norwood of City Temple, London; Dr. Leyton Richards, pastor of the historic Carrs Lane Congregational Church of Birmingham, England, and generally considered one of the most dynamic preachers in England; Miss Muriel Lester, often called the "Jane Addams of England"; Dr. Y. T. Wu, leader among the youth of China; Dr. T. Z. Koo, an eminent Chinese Christian; Dr. Ernest Meyer, authority on Germany; and Samuel Guy Inman, authority on Latin America.

An added feature of the 1938 Institute was a series of Teachers' Round Table Conferences, to further peace education in the secondary schools in Kansas.

Proof of the value of the Institute here comes from such state leaders as W. T. Markham, E. H. Lindley, Thomas W. Butcher, Governor Walter Huxman, Senator Capper, Nelson A. Crawford, and William Allen White, who are backing it as sponsors.



6. COLLEGE AND TOWN: *Work for greater mutual appreciation by serving the city.*

- a. *Music studio*
- b. *Night classes*
- c. *Booster banquet*
- d. *Various other community enterprises*

The uptown studio has been established, which gives the town people an opportunity of availing themselves of our music faculty; the Booster Banquet, sponsored by the Newton Chamber of Commerce, has been of great help; and the annual rendition of the "Messiah" by a community chorus has done much to bring the college and town closer together.

## THE BETHEL COLLEGE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The Women's Association has been one of Bethel's most active auxiliary organizations. Any woman interested in the welfare of Bethel College and in widening its field of influence may become a member.

The Association was organized in 1934 by a group of women from the Bethel and First Mennonite Churches. The object, as stated in the constitution, is: "to intensify the interest of the women of Newton and vicinity in the welfare of Bethel College; to develop the advantages of the young women students in college; to promote the interests of Bethel College in various communities; to co-operate in projects in which women may find a field for useful service."

The outstanding project thus far has been the installing of the beautiful new pipe organ in the chapel. Besides this major undertaking, the Association has contributed several articles of equipment. Individual members have made special effort to keep their homes open to students and to give occasional parties. During enrollment, the past several years, members of the Association have served refreshments to faculty members and students.

7. HISTORY: *Make arrangements to have the fifty years of history of Bethel College written up in book form.*

This aim is being only partially fulfilled in the 1938 *Golden Anniversary Graymaroon*.

## CHRONOLOGICAL CHART OF IMPORTANT EVENTS IN BETHEL'S GROWTH

Founding of the Mennonite School at Emmenthal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1882
Founding of the Halstead Academy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1883
Corner Stone Laying of the Administration Building	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October 12, 1888
Completion of the Administration Building	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1893
Removal of the Halstead Academy to Newton and Opening as Bethel College with C. H. Wedel as President	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1893



Construction of the Ladies Cottage (Elm Cottage)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1895
College Credit Given for the First Time at Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	About 1900
Construction of the Minnesota Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	About 1900
Construction of the Ladies' Dormitory (Carnegie Hall)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1907
Election of Dr. J. H. Langenwaller as Acting President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1910
Election of Dr. J. W. Kliever as President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1911
Introduction of Full College Course Leading to the A. B. Degree	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1911
Construction of the White House	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1911
Graduation of the First College Class	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1912
Celebration of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Corner Stone Laying	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October 12,	1913
Erection of Alumni Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1914
Accreditment by the Kansas State Board of Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1916
Founding of the Herman Suderman Scholarship Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1919
Resignation of Dr. J. W. Kliever as President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1920
Presidency of Dr. J. E. Hartzler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1920
Acquisition of Goerz Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1921
Election of Dr. J. H. Langenwaller as President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1921
Erection of the Science Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1924
College Drainage Ditch Dug	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1925
Election of Dr. J. W. Kliever as President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1925
Establishment of the Retreat on the Campus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1926
Discontinuation of the Academy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1927
Election of Dr. Ed. G. Kaufman as President of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1932
First Annual Booster Banquet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1932
Revision of the Curriculum into Divisions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1932
Reorganization of the Museum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1932
Founding of the S. M. Swartz Scholarship	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	February, 1933
Oiling of the College Road	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1933
Organization of the Bethel College Fellowship Society	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1933
First Annual Newton Rotary Club Scholarship Payment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1933
Adoption of the First Five-Year Program of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October, 1933
Erection of the Song Festival Bleachers in Kidron Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1934
Organization of the Women's Association	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1934
Addition of the College Farm, Barn, Dairy, and Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1934
Creation of the Bureau of Public Relations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	June, 1934
Establishment of the Song Festival at Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1934
Acquisition of the Perryman Farm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1934
Acquisition of the Printshop	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	August, 1934
College Mottos Originated									
a. "Bethel College Building Character"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1934
b. "Where Good Friends Meet at the Crossroads of a Nation"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1934
Establishment of the Ferguson Scholarship	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1934
Establishment of the Katherine Regier Scholarship	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1934
Establishment of the College Post Office	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	February, 1935
First Annual Sunflower Conference Play Day	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1935
Acquisition of the Krehbiel Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	May, 1935
Choir Tour to the West Coast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1935
Completion of Basement Rooms in the Science Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1935
Addition of the Infirmary and the Establishment of the Health Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1935



Acquisition of the Farm Home (Green Gables)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1935
Organization of the On-To-Bethel Club	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	August, 1935
Addition of the Introductory Courses of Study	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1935
Addition of the Commerce Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1935
Addition of the Director of Religious Life	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1935
Establishment of the News Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October, 1935
Revision of the Accounting System according to N. C. A. Requirements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	November, 1935
Acquisition of the Thierstein Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	November, 1935
Establishment of the Grattan Loan Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	December, 1935
First Annual Religious Emphasis Week	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1935
Creation of the Advisory Board	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1935
First Annual Buffalo Barbecue	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1935
Addition of the Curtain in the Chapel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1935
Addition of the Addressograph Bureau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	January, 1936
Addition of the Mimeograph Bureau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	January, 1936
Introduction of Visual Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	March, 1936
Completion of the Chimes Tower	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Spring, 1936
Completion of the Third Floors of Goerz Hall, Leisy Home, and White House	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1936
Acquisition of the Goessel Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1936
Completion of the Dramatics Room and Art Room	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1936
Establishment of the Kansas Institute of International Relations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1936
Remodeling of the Chapel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	August, 1936
Completion of the Storeroom	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1936
First Annual Visit to Other Colleges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1936
Acquisition of the New Organ	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1936
Establishment of the Employment Bureau	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1936
Revision of the Personnel Set-Up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1936
Establishment of the Historical Library and Archives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1936
Beginning of a Ministers' Course	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1936
Acquisition of the Kliever Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	May, 1937
Enlargement of the Library	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1937
Addition of the New Curbing	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1937
Choir Tour to the East	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Summer, 1937
Acquisition of the Martin Home (The Pines)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1937
Addition of the Book-Bindery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1937
Addition of the Photo-Engraving Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October, 1937
Addition of the Telephone Switchboard	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	November, 1937
Extension of the Bible Department	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fall, 1937
Donation of Twenty-Two Passenger Bus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	December, 1937
Construction of Memorial Hall Begun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	February, 1938
Donation of Windmill and Storage Tank	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	March, 1938
Entrance to the North Central Association	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	April, 1938
First Annual Senior Education Tour instead of Senior Sneak	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	April, 1938
Entrance to the Pi Kappa Delta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	May, 1938
Remodeling of the Martin Home (The Pines)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	June, 1938
Incorporation of Bethel College Campus as North Newton	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	September, 1938
Resanding of the College Road	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October, 1938
Celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Corner Stone	Laying of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October 9-12, 1938
Corner Stone Laying of Memorial Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	October 12, 1938
Adoption of Second Five-Year Program of Bethel College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	November, 1938



8. **BUILDINGS:** *Although we need a library and other buildings, and gifts for such would be most welcome, nevertheless, because of present economic conditions no buildings are definitely on the program now. Some smaller projects should, however, be completed, such as the rebuilding of the pipe organ, connecting the Ladies Dormitory with the heating plant, and making arrangements for the production of our own eggs, milk, meats, and vegetables.*

A number of new buildings have been added on the campus, including several faculty homes. Besides the building project begun last February, the new Memorial Hall, much remodeling has been done in college buildings so as to utilize every bit of space available. Attics have been enlarged and finished, and basements have been made usable; a new organ has been installed in the remodeled chapel; and a college dairy farm has been established.

9. **FINANCES:** *During these next five years do what we can in building a Fiftieth Jubilee Anniversary Fund in order to accomplish the following if possible:*

- a. Balance the budgets for the current years*
- b. Decrease and, if possible, entirely pay off our indebtedness*
- c. Increase our endowment fund, if possible, to the long-aimed-at sum of \$500,000*

*Regarding pledges our program is twofold:*

- a. It is hoped that during these five years all old pledges will be paid*
- b. Any new pledges made during this time shall be so written that they mature before the Fiftieth Anniversary*

During the last five years the school has balanced its budget annually. The indebtedness has not yet been wiped out, but it has been decreased from \$141,000 to \$85,000. The endowment has not reached the long-aimed-at sum of \$500,000 but has been increased by \$22,000 and now stands at \$308,000. The aim of getting all the old pledges paid is not entirely realized, although progress has been made here, too.

10. **THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** *In order to make the future of Bethel College more secure it would be well if the field of the institution could be widened by getting more groups to have a real share in the school. The Board of Directors of Bethel College recommends that advisory representation on the Board be given to the following groups:*

- a. The Bethel College Alumni Association*
- b. The City of Newton*
- c. The Northern District Conference of the General Conference of Mennonites*
- d. The Mennonite Brethren and the Krimmer Mennonite Brethren*
- e. The Old Mennonites in this area*

*Such additional members on the Board would involve no change in the charter of the school as they would have no vote at board meetings but serve only in an advisory capacity. All representatives of the various groups are to be appointed by our own Board, except the Alumni Association, who would choose their own.*

An advisory board has been created to give representation not only to all groups mentioned above but also to the Bethel Hospital Association, Freeman College, Hesston College, Tabor College, and also the counties of Reno, Marion, McPherson, and Harvey besides a number of more distant Mennonite communities.



## PROGRAM FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORNER STONE LAYING OF BETHEL COLLEGE

October 9 - October 12, 1938

(All meetings in the College Chapel except as indicated.)

### OCTOBER 9

Sunday Morning - It is hoped that the Mennonite Churches in gratitude to our Heavenly Father will remember the Golden Anniversary of Bethel College in the respective morning services on this day.

Sunday Evening, 7:30 p.m.: CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICAN MENNONITE COLLEGES

Chairman—President E. G. Kaufman

1. Scripture and Prayer—Rev. C. C. Wedel

2. Address—"Contributions of American Mennonite Colleges to Home and Society"—Dr. H. W. Lorenz, Tabor College (35 min.)

3. Music—A Cappella Choir

4. Address—"Contributions of American Mennonite Colleges to the Life of the Church"—Rev. Milo Kauffman, President Hesston College (35 min.)

### OCTOBER 10

Monday Evening, 7:30 p.m.: PROBLEMS FACING MENNONITE HIGHER EDUCATION

Chairman—Professor A. E. Kreider

1. Scripture and Prayer—Rev. P. P. Wedel

2. Address—"Problems Facing Mennonite Higher Education in the Light of the Needs of Our Youth and Our Church"—Rev. C. E. Krehbiel (35 min.)

3. Music—College Quartet

4. Address—"In How Far Is the Service of Our Mennonite Colleges Dependent Upon Conformity and Non-Conformity to Type"—Dr. P. R. Schroeder (35 min.)

### OCTOBER 11

Tuesday Evening, 7:30 p.m.: BETHEL COLLEGE PAST PRESIDENTS' MEETING

1. Scripture and Prayer, Psalm 100—Dean J. S. Schultz

2. Address—Dr. J. H. Langenwalter (30 min.)

3. Address—Mr. Paul Kliewer (12 min.)

4. Music—Harp Solo—Miss Mary Eby

5. Address—Dr. J. E. Hartzler (35 min.)

### OCTOBER 12

Wednesday Morning, 9:30 a.m.

Chairman—President E. G. Kaufman

1. Scripture and Prayer, Psalm 96—Rev. G. N. Harms

2. Address—"People of Vision"—Dr. J. H. Langenwalter (30 min.)

3. Address—"Corner Stone Laying Fifty Years Ago"—Professor P. J. Wedel (12 min.)

4. Music—A Cappella Choir

5. Address—Dr. Theodore O. Wedel (30 min.)

6. Distribution of Subscription Slips for Contributions toward the Memorial Building Fund

Wednesday Morning, 11:00 a.m.: CORNER STONE LAYING OF MEMORIAL HALL (At Building Site)

1. Music—College Band

2. Reading of Psalm 24—Rev. H. T. Unruh

3. Address—"Significance of the Memorial Hall"—Rev. A. E. Funk, Secretary of the Bethel College Board (15 min.)

4. Dedicatory Prayer—Dr. P. H. Richert

5. Corner Stone Laying—Rev. P. K. Regier, President of the Bethel College Board (15 min.)

6. Collection of the Contributions and Subscription Slips for the Memorial Building Fund

7. Doxology—Congregation

Wednesday afternoon, 2:30 p.m. (College Chapel)

Chairman—Dean P. S. Goertz

1. Invocation—Dr. H. A. Fast

2. A Word from Our Colleagues (1 min. each)

a. Alumni Association—Dr. H. F. Janzen

b. Bethel College Women's Association—Mrs. Paul Baumgartner

c. Bethel College Fellowships—Mr. O. C. Krehbiel

d. Bethel Hospital—Sister Frieda Kaufman

e. Pacific District Conference—Rev. Lester Hostetler

f. Western District Conference—Rev. P. P. Wedel

g. General Conference—Rev. C. E. Krehbiel

h. Newton Ministerial Alliance—Rev. Logan Martin

i. Newton Chamber of Commerce—Mr. Carl K. Suderman

3. Music—Harp Solo—Miss Mary Eby

4. Greetings from:

a. University of Kansas—Dean Ivan C. Crawford

b. State Board of Education—Miss Louie Lesslie

c. Kansas Council of Church Colleges—Dr. D. M. Edwards

d. Freeman Junior College—President J. D. Unruh

e. Bluffton College—Dean J. S. Schultz

f. Visiting Representatives of Other Colleges

1) Friends University—President D. M. Edwards

2) K. S. A. C., Manhattan—Dr. F. L. Parrish

3) K. S. T. C., Emporia—Mr. Harold Hunt

4) McPherson College—Dean J. D. Bright

5) Tabor College—President A. E. Janzen

6) Washburn College—Mr. Lyle O. Armel

7) University of Wichita—Dean L. Hekhuis

8) Bethany College—Dean Emil O. Deere

9) Hesston College—Dean Paul Erb

5. Music—A Cappella Choir

6. Main Address—Dr. Theodore O. Wedel (30 min.)

Wednesday Evening, 8:00 p.m.: HISTORICAL PAGEANT OF MENNONITES AND BETHEL COLLEGE (Lindley Hall)



A NEW FIVE YEAR PROGRAM FOR BETHEL COLLEGE  
TO BE COMPLETED 1943

1. *Complete old five-year program*
2. *Constituency*
  - a. Increase the number of friends of Bethel College among our constituency in:
    - (1) General Conference Mennonites
    - (2) Other branches of Mennonites
    - (3) Alumni Association
    - (4) Newton and Harvey County
    - (5) Others
  - b. Survey our active and potential constituency to discover:
    - (1) Their needs of higher Christian education
    - (2) Number and type of prospective students available per year
    - (3) The reasonable extent of their ability and willingness to support Bethel College financially
3. *Charter and Aims*
  - a. In the light of the above, restudy and revise our charter as well as our aims and programs to conform more nearly to actual needs and possibilities
4. *College Board*
  - a. Make arrangements for General Conference representatives on Board
  - b. Women on Board
  - c. Revise Advisory Board
5. *Faculty*
  - a. More Ph. D.'s of a dynamic sort
  - b. Nobody on faculty with less than an A. M. degree
  - c. Strive to strengthen faculty but hold number to minimum
6. *Students*
  - a. Limit enrollment to carefully selected five hundred bona fide students during regular school term
7. *Curriculum and Instruction*
  - a. Consider one-course study plan in connection with employment program
  - b. Consider work program educational and combine it with academic program
  - c. Otherwise improve and strengthen curriculum and instruction
8. *Student Employment Program*
  - a. Continue development of productive student employment program until every student can earn part of his way
  - b. Consider combining all auxiliaries in a separate organization called *Bethel College Student Industries* to make student work more educational and more efficient



9. *Athletics*

Strengthen program of physical education and work out definite policy as to the place of inter-collegiate athletics so that it can be controlled and does not interfere with the academic nor with the employment program

10. *Physical Plant*

- a. Complete Memorial Hall
- b. Repair and fully utilize present buildings, e. g., new roof on and new floor in Ladies Dormitory, third floor in Science Hall, and other similar improvements
- c. New library building
- d. Enlarge radio broadcasting station
- e. Develop own nursery for shrubs and trees
- f. Do work ourselves with student and donated labor

11. *Finances*

- a. Balance budget annually
- b. Pay debt by allowing at least five per cent of annual budget for debt reduction
- c. Build up endowment by allowing at least five per cent of annual budget for endowment purposes
- d. Education of constituency as to needs and aims of Christian education and stewardship implications of Christianity

12. *Accrediting Agencies*

- a. Strive to become a member of:
  - (1) Association of American Universities
  - (2) Association of American Music Schools
  - (3) American Association of University Women





LABORATORY OF LIFE







## BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT



College Avenue About Twenty-five Years Ago



Early View of the Campus

Western Home   Students Home   Dining Hall   Elm Cottage   Administration Building   Thierstein Home   Haury Home





Early Picture of the Administration Building

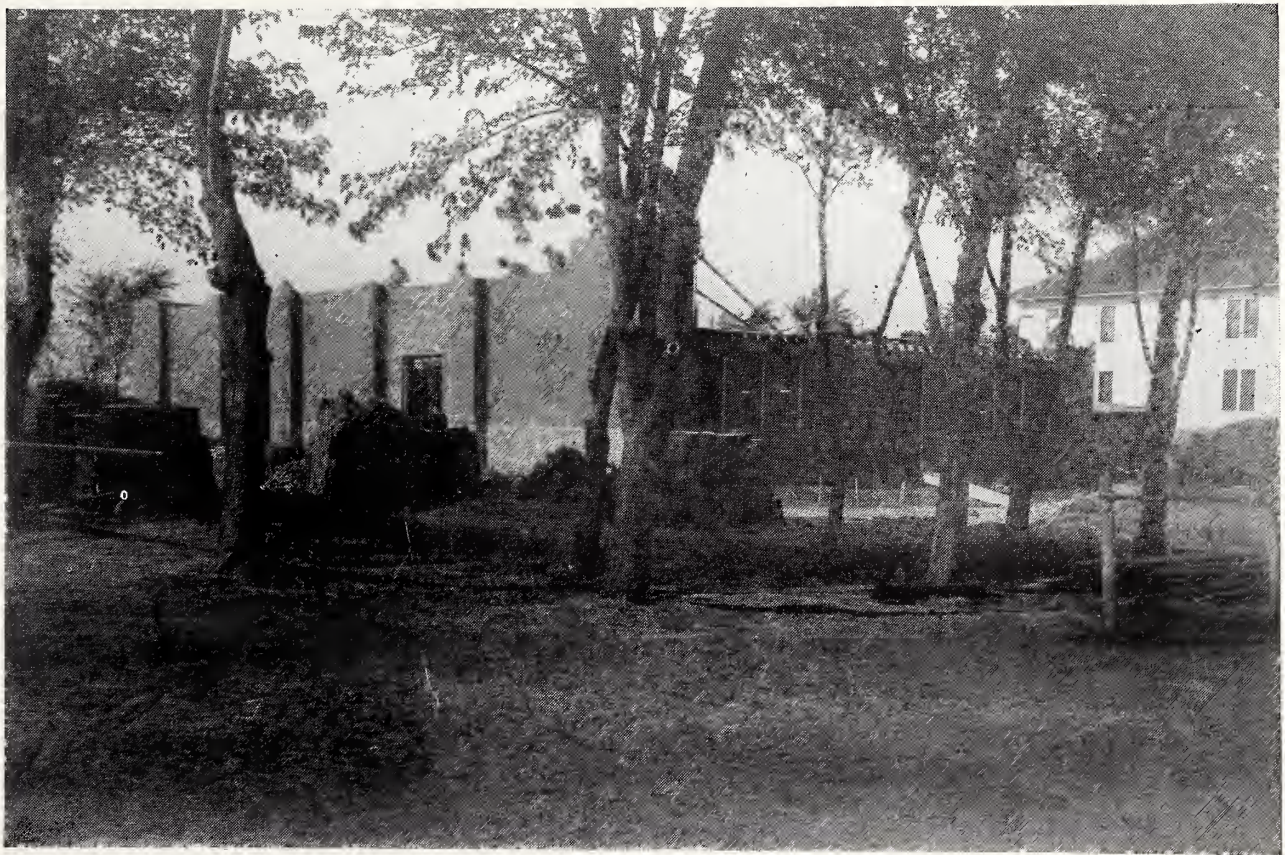


Early Picture of the Kidron (Site of the present Song Festival bleachers)





Carnegie Hall



Alumni Hall under construction





Science Hall under construction



The Library in early days





Administration Building



One of the Historical Linden Trees  
Through the Arch





Ladies Dormitory (Now Carnegie Hall)





Science Hall





Goerz Hall



Dining Hall



Elm Cottage





Goessel Home

Green Gables

Kliever Home

Leisy Home



Western Home

Music Hall

Thierstein Home

Welty Home

White House



## Faculty Homes

A. P. Friesen

A. E. Kreider

R. E. Geeting

J. F. Moyer

P. S. Goertz

A. J. Regier

W. H. Hohmann

D. H. Richert

Miss Lena Waltner

E. G. Kaufman

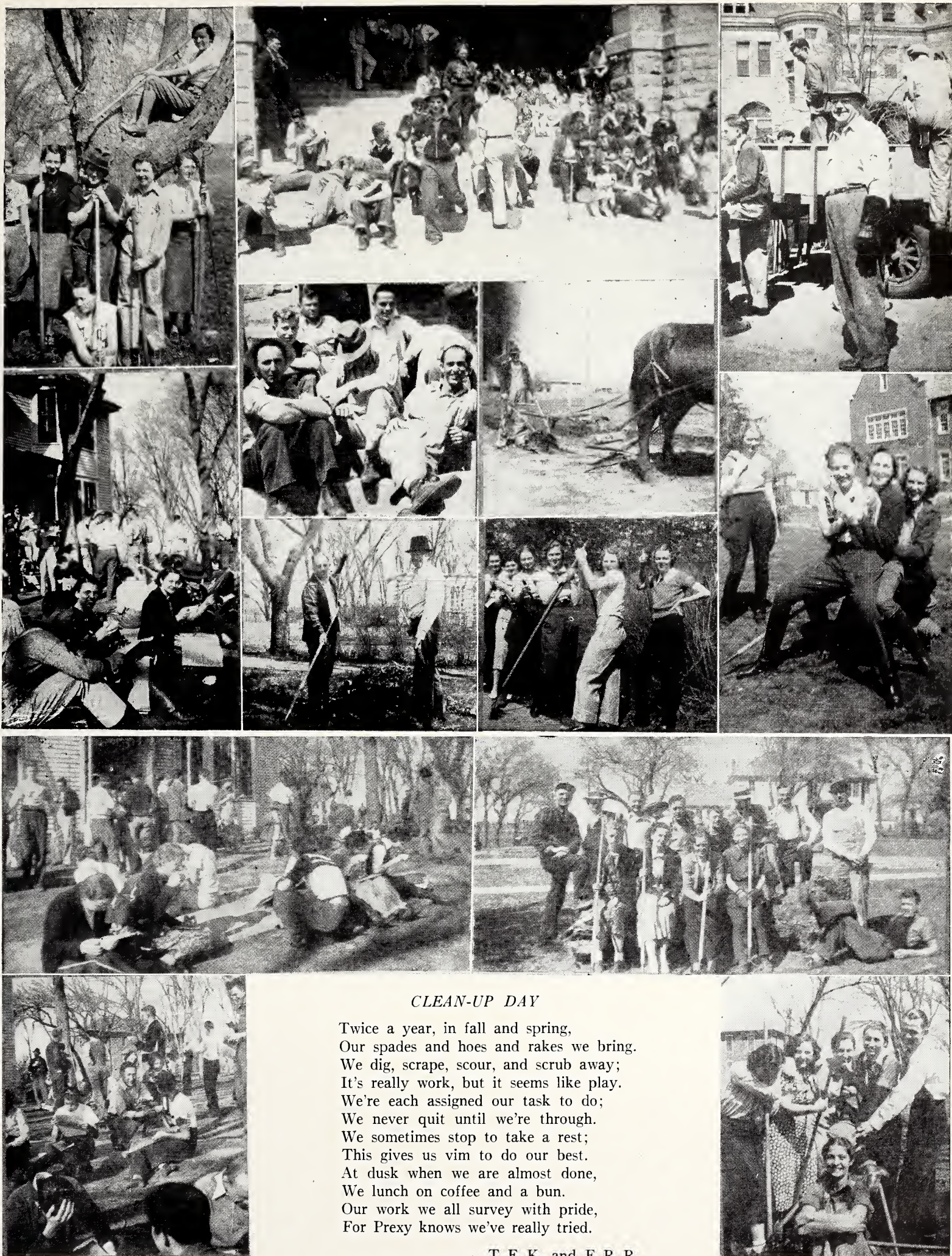
J. E. Linscheid

F. J. Wedel

J. J. Voth

Parsonage





# *CLEAN-UP DAY*

Twice a year, in fall and spring,  
 Our spades and hoes and rakes we bring.  
 We dig, scrape, scour, and scrub away;  
 It's really work, but it seems like play.  
 We're each assigned our task to do;  
 We never quit until we're through.  
 We sometimes stop to take a rest;  
 This gives us vim to do our best.  
 At dusk when we are almost done,  
 We lunch on coffee and a bun.  
 Our work we all survey with pride,  
 For Prexy knows we've really tried.

—T. E. K. and F. R. R.





## Students Earning Their Expenses

Linotype operator, Jerry

At the printing press, Dan and Waldo



The swinging bridge had to be made less swinging



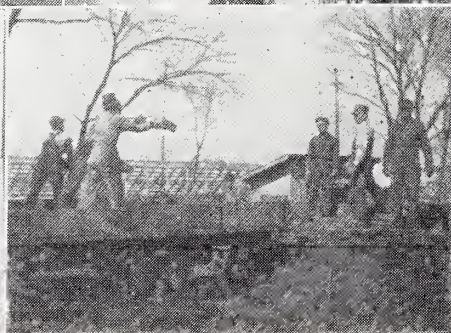
The addressograph department



Ditch diggers!

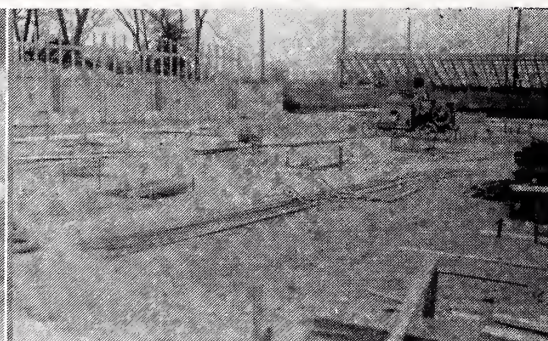
Our postmistress

The mimeograph department always has plenty to do



Val and one of his assistants

Do as you're told, men



Cooking our own meals lightens the burden on our pocketbooks

There's lots to be done on Memorial Hall



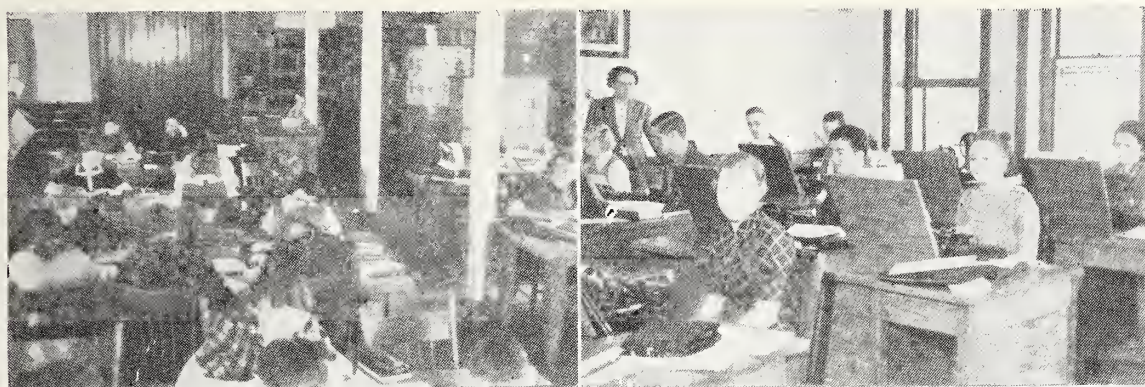
Office assistants are always needed





## We're Here for Knowledge

A lofty view for lofty ideals



Could it be cramming?

The future office managers  
and secretaries



The Physics laboratory

Them things called Bacteria



Whatcha doin' Tiny?

These freshmen themes!

Dr. T. Z. Koo, noted lecturer



## Snow Fun

It's winter, Dan

And at their age!

Who's that anemic man?

Snowbirds

Roy, you brute

What fun!

Happy haircut

What happened, Ada?

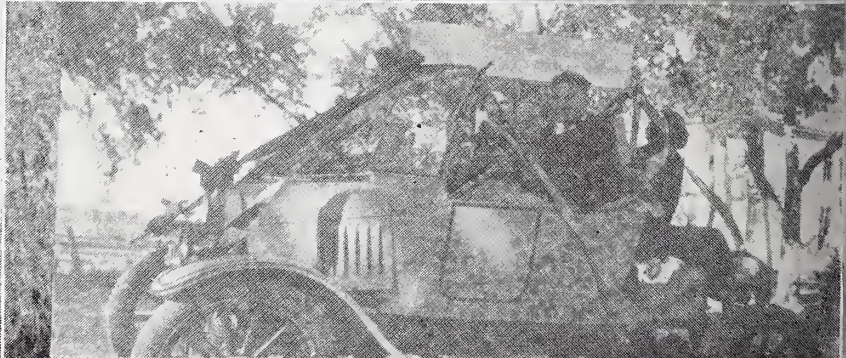
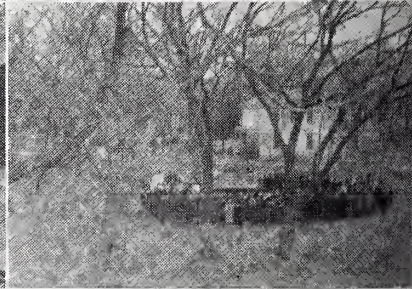
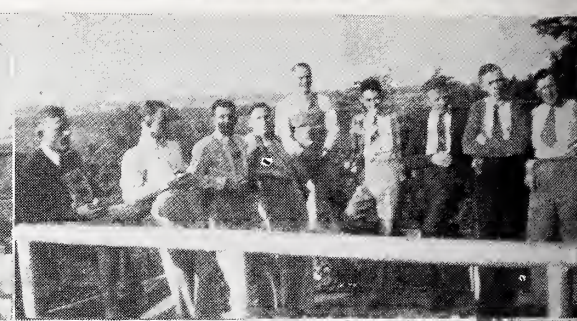
Noon recess

Western Home on a spree

Mr. Guy Hawk breaking  
the sod for Memorial  
Hall

Esko and his pet

Tough luck for a fine fellow







# In a Lighter Vein

Charlie Tubbs, our football  
hero in his younger days

Love is so sweet in the  
springtime

A horse we can ride

Simon says, "Thumbs up"

Behind the bars

The old oaken bucket

Belt line—ouch!

Soft—soft hair

Storekeeper goes fishing

It's lovely—teaching

Funny faces

Me for staying on the  
ground

In the Printshop

Hit Dan one for me

Dr. Kroeker—alone

Thelma stepping out

Vic

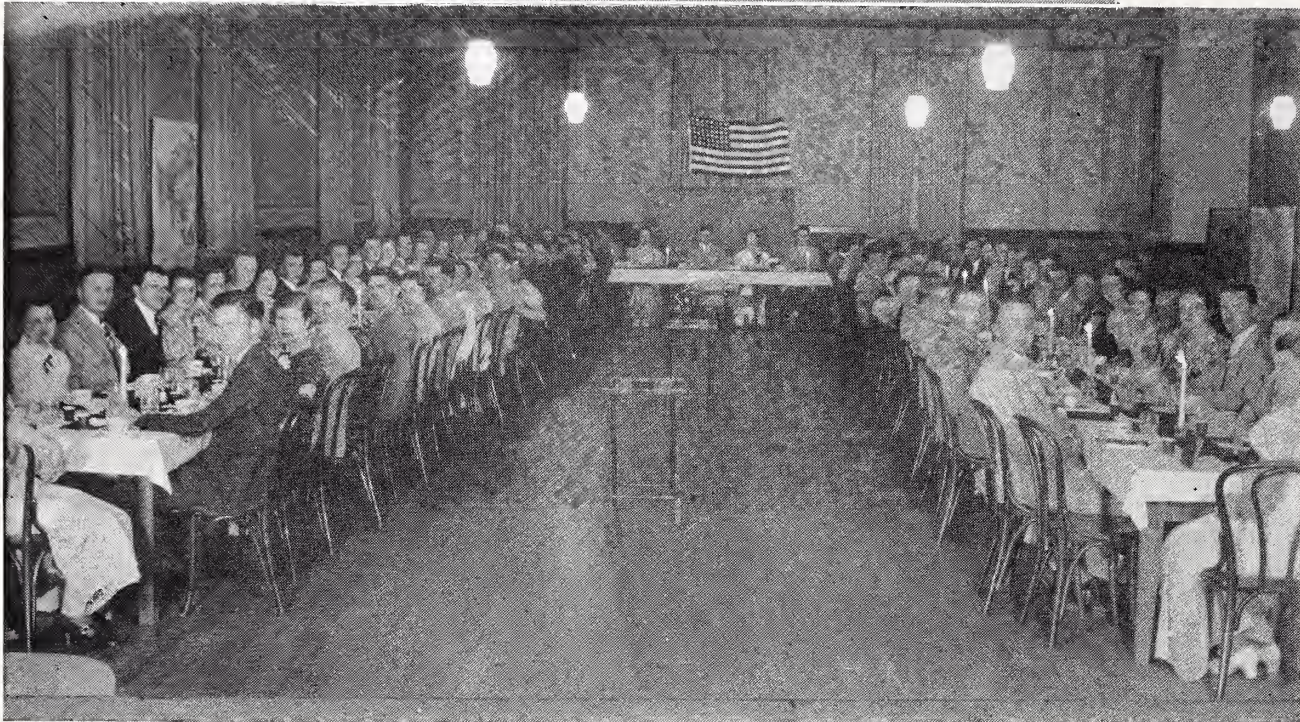




## Our Social Life

Faculty-Student Reception

Junior-Senior Banquet, 1937

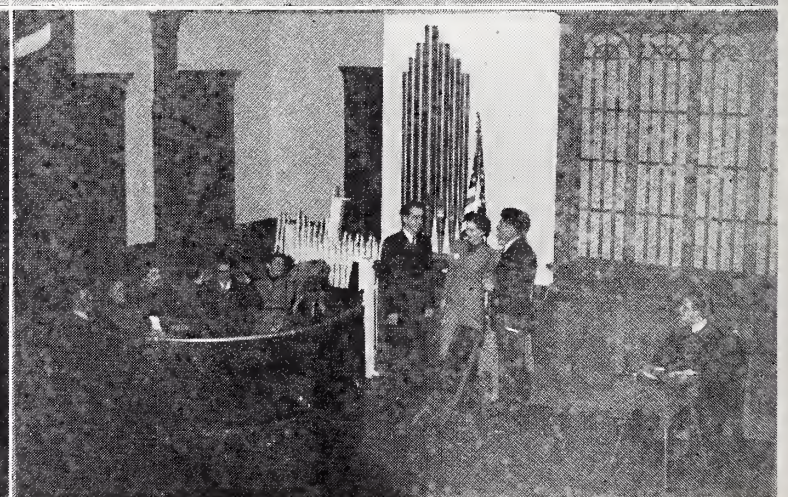
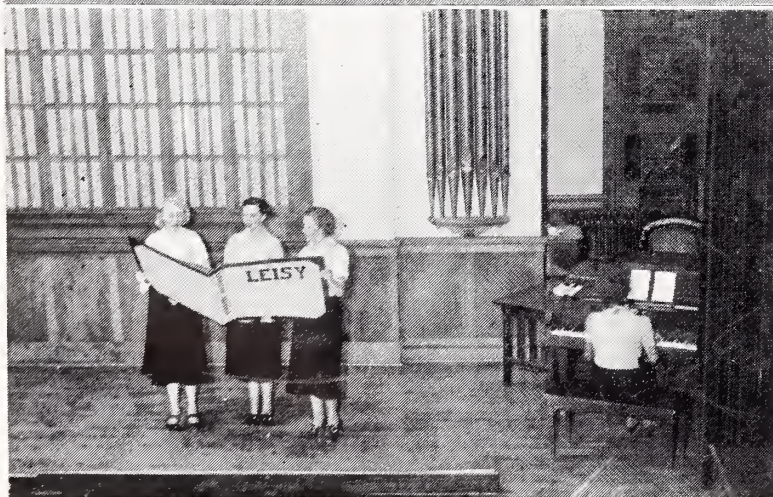
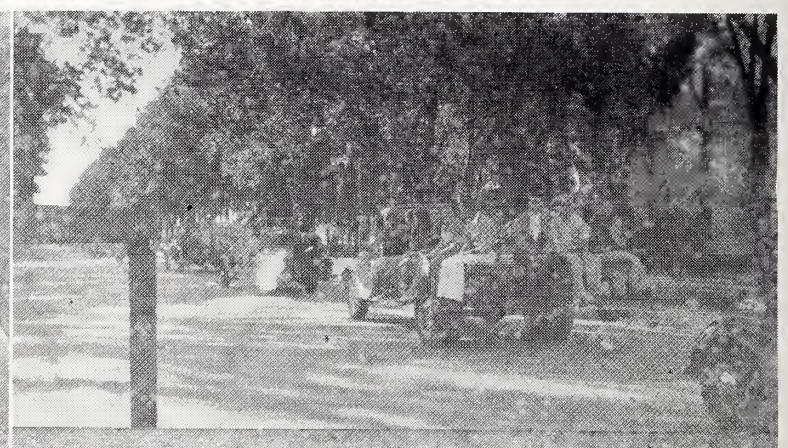


S. C. M. Breakfast

Senior Picnic

Farcity Review

Court of  
Misdemeanors





















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